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GERMAN CRUISERS MAKE BOLD RAID UPON ENGLAND'S NORTH SEA COAST

SEVEN SWIFT CRUISERS MAKE DARING ATTACK UPON TOWNS AND ESCAPE IN A HEAVY FOG

For the First Time in Centuries, England Has Been Struck by a Foreign Foe—Hartlepool, Whitby and Scarborough Shelled, With Considerable Loss of Life and Property Damage—Land Batteries Reply.

WAVE OF INTENSE ANGER SWEEPS OVER MERRY EN ND, AND BITTER DENUNCIATIONS MADE

Two of the Three Towns Shelled Are Undefended and Open to Attack of Naval Forces—Casualty List Totals One Hundred and Ten, With Thirty-One Known to be Dead—Some Killed While at Their Work.

London, December 16.—For the first time in centuries, England has been struck by a foreign foe. A squadron of swift German cruisers crept through the fog and turned their guns on the Britons.

When day broke they began bombardment of three important towns—Hartlepool, at the mouth of the Tees; Whitby, 35 miles southward, and Scarborough, noted as a pleasure resort, 15 miles beyond.

Hartlepool suffered most. There two battle cruisers and an armored cruiser were engaged. The British war office fixes the number of dead at Hartlepool as sevan soldiers and 22 civilians, and the wounded at 14 soldiers and 50 civilians.

At Scarborough, shelled by a battle cruiser and an armored cruisor, 13 casualties are reported, while at Whitby two were killed and two wounded.

Men, women and children of the civilian population were left dead and wounded, struck without warning, while at work. In all the casualty list totals 110 according to the official estimates, of whom 31 are known to be dead.

At Hartlepool churches were damaged and the gas works and lumber yards were set afire, while the Abbey at Whitby was struck. The Balmoral Hotel at Scarborough received the full effect of a shell. A number of houses and shops were shattered and partly burned in each of the towns.

The hostile squadron escaped in the mist after an encounter with coast guard vessels.

A wave of intense anger has spread over England because of the attack. Bitter denunciation is heard everywhere of a policy which permits shelling of undefended towns. The fortress at the mouth of the Tees is supposed to give some protection to the important shipping base of Hartlepool, but Whitby and Scarborough are as open to the enemy as Atlantic City is on the New Jersey coast.

Scarborough, with its old castle on a high hill, the big casino with a high tower, and the row of pretentious hotels on the water front, presents a shining mark for target practice. Few visitors were at the hotels, because of the cold weather, but one invalid is known to have been wounded.

Escaped in Fog.

In a direct line, the mouth of the Tees is about 350 miles from Helgoland, the German naval base in the North Sea. The British admiralty says the German ships were among their fastest. They chose a night when a thick mist prevailed and must have left their base at least two hours before dark. As they started to return about 9 o'clock there remained about seven hours of day light for the pursuit, which, however, was rendered almost impossible by the fog. How the Germans evaded a the mines and patrols remains a mystery, although experts recall that in maneuvers British ships have performed the same feat through the comparatively small space between England and the Scilly Islands, which was not mined.

The admiralty report announces that such demonstrations are not difficult to accomplish, but the population generally cherishes so great a confidence in the protection of the British navy that the inhabitants of the coast towns made no serious preparation to meet a bombardment.

Except for the working people, the English are late risers during the short winter days. The bombardment occurred between 8 and 9 o'clock, an hour when many persons were at breakfast, while others were on their way to work or were opening their shops.

Crowds to the Beaches.

The booming of heavy guns off the three towns drew hundreds to the beaches. They had no thought of a German raid but when shells came crashing over their heads and into the quiet streets, they dashed for shelter. Off shore the German guns did rapid work, the flashes coming incessantly and the shells finding a mark among the buildings. Many residents took refuge in cellars; others rushed from their houses, among them women and children in their night clothes and not a few sought the railway stations, leaving on the first trains.

The Hartlepool land batteries returned the German fire and are reported to have damaged some of the cruisers. Several shells from the warships burst among the royal engineers and Durham light infantry, and it was among these troops that the casualties of seven killed and 14 wounded occurred.

Impetus to Recruiting.

The general belief in London is that the German attack will give impetus to recruiting. Today was one of eager waiting after the admiralty bulletin was issued shortly before noon, saying:

"Our flotillas have at various points been engaged. The situation is developing."

Various rumors were heard. One was that two German cruisers had been sunk. Many thought the long expected general naval engagement between the British and German fleets was progressing and that the shelling of the coast towns was merely incidental.

The admiralty's report issued at 9:30 o'clock tonight giving the news that the German ships had eluded pursuit and were returning safely to their home waters, caused disappointment.

Naval writers express the opinion that six or eight ships were engaged. The Germans have available for such an attack the armored cruisers Blucher, Room, Prinz Adelbert, Prinz Heinrih and Prinz Friederih Karl and

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FRANCE FOLLOWS LEAD OF ENGLAND

And Will Keep Hands Off American Cotton.

SHIPMENTS ANYWHERE

Cotton in Much Demand in Germany and Austria and Italy—Twelve American Bottoms Now Loading for Europe.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The French government in a note to the State Department today gave assurance that France would not interfere in any manner with American cotton shipments either to belligerent or neutral countries. Announcement was made that France would adopt the same attitude toward cotton shipments as that of Great Britain.

Great Britain had announced late in October that cotton was not and would not be considered contraband and assurance was given that there would be no interference with shipments. Since then the State Department has been seeking like treatment from France.

Ambassador Gerard informed the State Department there was practically an unlimited market for cotton in Germany, so that two million bales probably could be disposed of in the Empire in 1915. It was reported from Vienna 800,000 bales could find a market in Austria-Hungary and Ambassador Page informed the State Department that Italy was in the market. Mr. Gerarrd says Germany prices ranged from 13 to 18 cents a pound after allowing two cents for insurance, freight and other charges.

Twelve Vessels Loading.

Twelve vessels flying the American flag, and bearing about 50,000 bales of cotton now are loading or en route to Europe. The ultimate destination of the cargoes is Germany.

Officials today felt there would be a speedy restoration of the cotton trade to normal.

Secretary Bryan, in a statement on the cotton situation, said:

"The one practical obstacle to the supplying of the demand is the scarcity of American boats. The Holland-American Line has refused to accept shipments of cotton to Rotterdam and the fact that American boats are required under the conditions imposed by Germany in the matter of the embargo to bring back dyestuffs, cyanide, chemicals, etc., makes the demand for American bottoms greater than the supply."

CRUISER TACOMA GOES TO PANAMA CANAL ZONE

Ordered There from West Coast of Mexico by Daniels

Secretary of the Navy Acts Upon Suggestion of Colonel Goethals and Sends Vessel to Maintain Neutrality of Waters.

Washington, Dec. 16.—A destroyer or gunboat may be sent from the west coast of Mexico to the Pacific entrance of the canal when more information as to conditions at the waterway is received.

A statement issued at the Navy Department says:

"Secretary Daniels stated that the last news received from Colon was that no other violations of neutrality have been committed except that by a British collier whose radio apparatus had been dismantled. The executive order as to the unneutral use of the radio will be promptly and efficiently enforced. Though no other violations have been reported, Secretary Daniels, acting upon the suggestion of Col. Goethals, will send a ship to Panama so as to be in a position to make impossible any violation of the executive order. He has ordered the Tacoma, which is now in San Domingo, to this duty."

British Ambassador Spring Rice called at the State Department and stated that some English ships had sailed from their home ports before they were familiar with the President's proclamation. He requested that they be given full information. Secretary Daniels then sent the following telegram to the government radio station at Colon:

"So far as practicable inform all vessels approaching canal zone of limitations under which they must use their radio while in territorial waters of the zone."

The ambassador pointed out that the British government not only has no intention of violating rules as to the wireless in American waters, but subscribes to them and has been vitally interested in having the regulations forbidding unneutral use of wireless equipment in America obeyed.

MEXICO ALLOWED ONE MORE CHANCE

General Scott Departs for Border to Use Influence

ON WARRING FACTIONS

Head of the American Army Will Use Personal Influence on Border—Not to Take Command of Troops; as Diplomat.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Brig. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, left tonight for Naco, Ariz., to endeavor to use his personal influence with the warring factions across the border to stop their firing into American territory. Lieut. Col. Robert E. Michie accompanied him.

Should this final effort fail, and no heed be paid to the threat of the American government, communicated to both Provisional President Gutierrez and General Carranza, that force would be used if their subordinates did not cease firing into the United States, it is generally understood that a defensive fire will be begun by American troops. General Scott will not supercede General Bliss in command at Naco but will act in a diplomatic capacity.

Provisional President Gutierrez has told the United States government that none of the executions which have occurred at the capital have been at his orders but "were the result of commission of actual crimes."

Gutierrez said a decree would be published today or tomorrow "prohibiting the carrying out of summary executions, and providing for the trial of the accused by a court martial."

World Is Amazed.

It was learned today that the United States had pointed out to the Gutierrez government the horror which the civilized world felt toward these executions.

American consular representatives, moreover were instructed to indicate that the American government could not view with disfavor a continuation of such incidents.

Advices to the State Department from its agents in Mexico said Villa forces had occupied Guadalajara, reestablishing telegraph communication with Mexico City and the border. Order prevails and Americans are safe.

Consular dispatches from Vera Cruz said General Carranza had promised to extend adequate protection to railroad property when specific or contemplated injury was brought to his attention. The general informed the American government that military authorities at Esperanza had been ordered to afford full protection to the Armengol property, and that the governor of Coahuila had been ordered to stop all confiscation procedure in the case of H. Brendel, an American, of whom 20,000 pesos, rental on his farms, had been demanded.

MEXICAN BATTLE RAGING.

Villa and Carranza Forces Engaged. Villa at Head of Troops.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 16.—The first important battle between the Carranza and Villa armies is in progress near San Pedro de Las Colonies, east of Torreon. Several columns of Carranza troops from Coahuila State, aggregating about 5,000 men under Col. Ilifonso Vasquez, are engaged by a slightly larger force under General Villa.

The situation has been complicated by the appearance in Central Chihuahua of General Jose Ynez Salazar, the former Federal leader, who escaped recently from jail at Albuquerque, N. M. It was learned today that more than 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition destined for Salazar had passed the border safely.

Stranded Germans Capture a Collier

SAILORS OFF DESTROYED CRUISER CAPTURE VESSEL AND RAID PACIFIC COMMERCE.

Manila, P. I., Dec. 16.—Forty men from the German cruiser Emden who were left on the Cocos island when the Australian cruiser Sydney forced the Emden ashore, and destroyed her, have captured a collier, mounted two maxims on her and now are raiding commerce in the Pacific, according to report received here.

The report came through officers of the British steamer Malacca, just arrived at Jolo, and has not been confirmed officially.

The men of the Emden had gone ashore on Cocos island to dismantle the wireless and fled when the Emden was destroyed. Headed by Lieut. Von Muecke, they left Cocos island with a commandeered schooner and plenty of provisions together with their own armed launch and two boats, according to the report. When or where they captured the collier is not stated.

The Malacca reports that she steamed to Jolo without showing lights at night.

GERMANY'S LATEST MOVE IS THRILLING

Official and Diplomatic Washington Much Interested.

WAS FOR MORAL EFFECT

Opinion Among Experts is That Raid Made for Moral Effect Rather Than as Part of Plan to Invade British Isles.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Official and diplomatic Washington was thrilled today with the news of the bombardment by German cruisers of the east coast of England. The actual attack on British coast towns, accomplishing, even in a small way, the long talked of descent of the German navy on the English coast, developed much discussion among naval experts and tacticians.

While government officials made no formal comment, the bombardment was discussed in congressional as well as executive quarters, with particular application to hypothetical situations in which Americans defenses might be involved.

The concensus of opinion among naval men was that the raid was for moral effect and did not screen a general invasion by Zeppelins and German submarines, although Great Britain's vulnerability to such attacks was to some extent emphasized by it. Experts thought any sustained attack on the English coast would require many more ships than were engaged today and by the time any effort was made to land an expeditionary force the English fleet could be brought into action. The view of most naval experts was summarized in the following opinion from a high American naval officer and tectician:

Was for Moral Effect.

"As reported there were only four German cruisers and they bombarded three towns on the east coast of England within a range of about 50 miles. Since none of these towns contains anything which is of military value to the English, the thing can be considered from all the facts, as a raid for the moral effect to be produced in England.

"No military value can be attached to the raid in so far as invasion is concerned. The number of ships employed would be useless for invasion purposes unless there were troop ships

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BRITISH FLEET IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN DAMAGED

Which Engaged and Sunk Four German Cruisers.

German Minister at Santiago Makes Report to Washington That One British Cruiser Was Sunk in South Atlantic Battle.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Dispatches to the German embassy today from the German minister at Santiago, Chile, announced that the British fleet which sank the cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig off the coast of Chile recently was badly damaged and that one British ship apparently was sunk.

A statement issued tonight at the embassy said:

"According to information received by the German embassy from Chile, the battle off the Falkland islands lasted from 9 o'clock in the morning until 7 o'clock in the evening.

"On the British side the Invincible, Inflexible, Canopus, Carnarver, Cornwall, Kent, Glasgow and Bristol were engaged. Many German officers and men were saved but lack of boats prevented the number from being larger. The British cruiser Defense did not take part and has been seen aground at Port Stanley.

"Only seven English cruisers left the scene of battle, so that one must have been sunk. The others were badly damaged."

It was believed here tonight that the dispatches from the German minister in Chile telling of the naval engagement probably summarized a report from the commander of the German cruiser Dresden, the only vessel which escaped.

DRESDEN IN HOT WATER

British Fleet Right After Sole Survivor of South Atlantic Battle.

Valparaiso, Chile, Dec. 16.—Advices from Punta Arenas say when the German cruiser Dresden left that port on Sunday evening, British warships were waiting on both sides of the Strait of Magellan. The Dresden entered the strait after the fight off the Falkland Islands in which she was the sole German vessel to escape.

OPERATIONS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE DAILY TAKING PLACE THROUGHOUT EUROPE

Land Developments of Grave Consequence Even Though Overshadowed by Assault of German Fleet Upon North Sea Coast of England — Allies in West Continue Their Offensive, and Make Slight Advance.

FOOT BY FOOT FIGHTING MARKS DESPERATE ALLIED ATTACKS IN BELGIUM AND FLANDERS

British Fleet Bombards Small Town and German Position, But Not Effectively — Preparations Being Made to Renew Battle in Poland—Russian Left Wing is to be Withdrawn According to Petrograd Advices.

London, December 16.—The raid of German warships on the northeast coast of England today and their escape in a fog, after having bombarded Scarborough, Hartlepool and Whitby, where a number of persons were killed and wounded and considerable damage was done to property, completely overshadowed the activities of the land forces.

Land operations, however, as on preceding days, have been of the utmost importance.

The British, French and Belgian troops have continued their offensive in the West, and according to the French official reports have made further slight progress. This was accomplished, however, only through foot to foot fighting.

Along the coast of Flanders, where the Allies are trying to push their lines forward from Nieuport, they have the assistance of the British fleet, which violently bombarded Westende, one of the many little coast towns which have suffered greatly since the commencement of the war. This attack, Berlin says, was without effect and the Allies were repulsed.

Further inland, the French also claim to have gained ground, although in a less marked degree than on previous days.

In the Argonne there apparently has been a lull but both in the Woevre and Alsace, the two other regions where severe fighting has been in progresss for some time, the Germans have been known to have delivered counter attacks.

In Poland preparations are being made for a new battle or series of battles. The Russians, according to a former member of the cabinet at Petrograd have decided despite the disappointment it must cause, to withdraw their left wing at least and form a new line back in their own territory. This will relieve Cracow, but will compel the Austro-German forces to fight farther away from the strategic railways from which they have moved troops quickly to desired points.

This plan doubtless will affect the rest of the battle front only except in the extreme north of Poland, where the German column has been driven back by a superior Russian force.

A Rome dispatch credits the Austrians with having admitted the loss of 100,000 men in 1' ir expedition against Servia and their subsequent defeat by the a, ay of that little nation.

ALLIES ATTEMPT TO ADVANCE

But Are Repulsed According to German Official Statement.

Berlin, Dec. 16 (by Wireless to London).—The German official communication issued by the general army headquarters says:

"In the Western theatre the enemy made a new attempt to advance by way of Nieuport, supported by an action of their ships at sea. The fire from these ships was entirely without effect. The attack was repulsed and 450 French were taken prisoners.

"On the remainder of the front the capture of a height to the West of Sennheim, occupied by the enemy since the day before yesterday, is the only matter worth mentioning.

"From the East Prussion frontier there is no news.

"In Northern Poland, our attacking movements are progressing normally. Several strong positions of the army have been taken and about 3,000 prisoners and four machine guns were taken.

"In Southern Poland our troops fighting in unison with our allies are gaining ground."

RUSSIAN STATEMENT

Declares That Advance of Germans and Austrians Has Been Checked.

Petrograd, Dec. 16.—The following statement from the general staff of the commander in chief of the Russian forces was issued this afternoon:

"In the direction of Mlawa we have repulsed the enemy toward the frontier.

"On the left bank of the Vistula the Germans kept up a stubborn attack throughout the day along the line from Kierdozia to Sochaczew. Owing to the unfavorable condition of the country our troops retreated slightly during the evening of December 15.

"On the other sections of the front our troops made counter attacks and compelled the enemy to remain on his positions, checking his attempts to advance.

"Our strategy has stopped the Austrian advance from beyond the Carpathians.

"On the other points there is no important chance to report."

HAS POSITIVE PROOF

American Concern Manufacturing Dum Dum Bullets for England.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Count Bernstorff, German ambassador has sent the following letter to the general manager of the Remington Arms Union Metallic Cartridge Company in reply to the denial of that concern that it has manufactured dum dum bullets for the English army rifle:

"In answer to your favor of the 10th instant, I beg to say that I have submitted to the State Department proof of my statement that your company is manufacturing socalled dum dum bullets for the English army rifle.

"Permit me to add that I am fully aware of the fact that everybody in this country has a right to manufacture and sell whatever ammunition he desires."

Hampton, S. C., Dec. 16.—Allan Seymour, a negro, accused of having assaulted a young white woman, was removed from the county jail here early today by a mob and shot to death. The jailer was overpowered. No arrests have been made.

MILITARY BILLS ARE INTRODUCED

Creation of Regular Army Reserve Is Advocated

INCREASE ENLISTMENT

Senator Chamberlain, Chairman of the Senate Military Committee, Introduces Several Military Bills in Upper House.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Creation of a regular army reserve, increase of the enlistment period, and maintenance of the mobile army at all times at maximum strength were proposed in bills introduced today by Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the Senate military committee.

The bill for an army reserve would become effective March 1,1915, when the period of enlistment would be increased to six years. Each enlisted man would serve the first three years in the regular army and three years in the reserve. The reserve would be called out by the President in time of war or threatened war. For an officers' reserve, the President would be authorized to appoint citizens qualifying under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of War, none to be commissioned above the grade of colonel.

One thousand additional officers of the regular army would be provided for in the measure to maintain the army at full strength at all times. The following officers of the line would be added:

Twenty-four colonels, 46 lieutenant colonels; 109 majors; 496 captains; 293 first lieutenants, and 322 second lieutenants.

The coast artillery in addition would get 12 new colonels; 12 lieutenant colonels; 40 majors; 74 captains; 187 first lieutenants and 187 second lieutenants.

An army transportation reserve corps to be made up of chauffeurs and machinists and to be subject to the call of the President also is proposed and provisions are made for acquirement in emergency of mechanically propelled vehicles, none of which has seen more than four years' service.

LOWER INTEREST RATE IS URGED BY SIMMONS

Federal Reserve Board Makes Slight Concession

That for Loans Not Exceeding 30 Days, Rate of Interest May be Only 5 Per Cent to Borrowing Banks.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Senator Simmons has appeared before the Federal Reserve Board several times in an effort to have the rate of interest on loans reduced to less than 6 per cent. Senator Simmons contends that if the Reserve banks are going to charge 6 per cent for money the Southern banker will not be any better off than he was under the old system.

Before these banks were inaugurated a banker could borrow money in New York anywhere from 3 to 5 per cent. If the member bank has to pay 6 per cent to the Federal Reserve bank he cannot loan to the smaller banks without either violating the law, which says money cannot be loaned at more than 6 per cent, or, he must loan it at a loss. The board ruled today that for loans not exceeding 30 days the rate of interest would be only 5 per cent. This will give relief in a small way.

Representative Stedman appeared before the House rules committee today and asked for a special rule for the consideration of the bill reinstating Fred H. Lemley, of Winston-Salem, as paymaster in the navy. The Fifth district Congressman believes he will win his case. Representative Pou, of North Carolina, is the most influential member of the rules committee and will certainly give Major Stedman's appeal serious consideration.

Representative Gudger's automobile ran afoul of a street car as he was leaving the House office building last night and the automobile was damaged to the extent of $50. Fortunately no one was injured. P. R. A.

WANTS THE SALE ANNULLED

Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce Asks Congressmen to Urge Gregory to Institute Suit.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 16.—Following an address by Hon. A. L. Brooks last night, the chamber of commerce here passed resolutions calling upon North Carolina's delegation in Congress to urge upon the Attorney General of the United States the institution of suit by his department for the annullment of the sale of the old C. F. & Y. V. Railroad to the Coast Line. In addition, it was urged upon every member of the chamber to write personal letters to our representatives and senators.

The concensus of opinion of those who heard Mr. Brooks' argument was that he added greatly to his reputation as a man of great ability, and that his argument showed the thought and study he has given to this matter of such vital importance to North Carolina. Mr. Brooks made the statement that he was running for no office and that while he loved his native State as well as any man could, his ambition was to be able to feel that he had done more for the State than the State had done for him.

In connection with this matter of the sale of the C. F. & Y. V., it is recalled by one who was present at the sale that General John Gill, the receiver of the road, remarked at the time that it meant that Fayetteville would become a way station, Fayetteville then being the road's headquarters, indicating the knowledge of those in position to know at that time that the sale of the road would not be in accordance with the order of the United States court that the road should be maintained as an independent or trunk line.

BRAVES TO PLAY ON NEW GROUNDS.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 16.—Cement stands to seat 45,000 spectators will be built at the new Boston National League park. President James E. Gaffney said today the grounds would be constructed something after the manner of the Yale bowl. The Braves will use Fenway park until the new park is ready early in July.

For information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club, Phone 110. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

FAVORABLE ACTION ON SHIPPING BILL

Senate Commerce Committee Reports to Senate

ON A DIVIDED BALLOT

Five Republicans and One Democrat, Vardaman, of Mississippi, Voting Against Favorable Report of Administration Measure.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The government ship purchase bill was reported favorably to the Senate today by the commerce committee. The committee vote was eight to six, Senators Smith, of Michigan; Burton, Perkins, Nelson and Oliver, Republicans, and Vardaman, Democrat, voting against it. Some Democrats of the committee, however, reserved the right to offer amendments in the Senate to include coastwise shipping.

Minority members contemplate a separate report. Amendments voted down included provisions that the United States should purchase no ships from belligerent nations or from citizens of belligerent nations, and that no government-controlled ships should transport contraband of war.

The bill introduced in the House at the last session, would provide that the United States, acting through a shipping board to be created, subscribe for the purchase, construction and operation of merchant ships between ports of this country and Central and South America and elsewhere "to meet the foreign requirements of the United States."

The Original Plan.

The initial capital stock of the corporation would be $10,000,000 to be increased by the shipping board with the President's approval. The United States would subscribe for 41 per cent of the original stock, and of each increase, and might subscribe further for remainder of stock not taken by the public. For the construction and purchase of vessels, the bill provides for the sale of Panama Canal bonds not to exceed $30,000,000.

The government, through the shipping board would turn over to the ship corporation all vessels purchase or constructed, the corporation issuing in return 4 per cent gold bonds.

Administration leaders plan to press the bill in the Senate immediately after voting on the immigration bill.

DISCUSS LITERACY TEST IN IMMIGRATION BILL

Question Now Before the Senate—Two Amendments Are Offered.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Discussion of the immigration bill's literacy test provision, of which President Wilson has expressed disapproval, began in the State today. No approval to strike out the restriction was offered, but Senators Thomas and William's submitted amendments to extend exemptions from it.

Under the terms of the bill, only immigrants who left their country "for the purpose of escaping from religious persecution," would be exempt from the literacy test. Senator Thomas' amendment would add to this the words "Whether evidenced by overt acts or discriminating laws, or regulation."

This, it was declared in debate, would include poltical as well as religious persecution, and would meet objections to the original provision raised by many prominent Jewish-Americans. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, chairman of the immigration committee, opposed the amendment. He declared Jews needed no exemption from the literacy test.

Senator Williams' amendment, prompted by the European war, should exempt for five years after the passage of the act persons forced to flee "because of the military conquest of their country."

A vote on the literacy section is expected tomorrow.

Cincinnati, Dec. 16.—The National baseball agreement has been amended to increase the membership of the chief joint committee on playing rules to seven members, the National Commission announced today. The following section has been incorporated in the agreement:

"Whenever the commission certifies to the president of each major league and to the secretary of the National Association that in its judgment the playing rules require amendment, a joint committee of three representatives from each major league and one representative of the National Association shall meet on or before October 15th of the year in which such notice is served, and adopt a code of rules for the ensuing season."

THEATRICAL

Honestly, wasn't yesterday's programme one of the completest, biggest and most enjoyable movie bills you ever witnessed, at Wilmington's Cozy Corner?

Well, today's is just a repetition, with some of the real big features of the week, comprising all told six reels of "The Incomparable Movies," something to cater to every individual taste and all of the very biggest and best movies that brains and money can produce.

Today's topliner is an exceptional two-reel Eclair drama, "The Girl Stage Driver,' 'a production that takes one back to the days of '49, with its hostile Indians, daring holdups, and thrilling episodes that characterized the great West in those old days. The old stage coach is there, and everything is carried out on an elaborate scale. It is a veritable masterpiece of the plains, a bewildering succession of scenic beauty, splendid acting and an interesting plot. Edna Payne as the girl stage driver is a picture worth going miles to see.

Coming next is another real topliner, a Mutual two-reel drama, "The End of the Gallery" wherein the spirit of revenge is tragically revealed in one of the daringest plots ever conceived for the movies. It features those dramatic stars, Richard Stanton, Harry Keenan and Gladys Brockwell.

Then comes another Mutual offering, "Winsome Winnie," wherein a clever actor comes to the rescue of a lover. It features Joseph Harris and Mary Scott.

The sixth big reel is a Joker comedy, "A Wise Guy," featuring that irrepressible trio, Phil Duncan, Ernest Shields and Betty Schade.

At the Victoria Today.

Great was yesterday at the Victoria Theatre—the handsomest amusement spot, as well as the most comfortable in Wilmington. Yet greater is going to be today's show, because it will be headed by one of the most stupendous of all film productions. As the headliner of today's superb Victoria show, Messrs. Klaw and Erlanger (mark that well, if you please) will present "The Billionaire." It is the same big attraction that made such an instantaneous hit on Broadway and played to capacity houses during a long run.

The latest adventure of the noted detective, Cleek, is also a feature today. It is "The Heritage of Hamilton Cleek". Of course, the popular actor, Benjamin F. Wilson, appears as "Cleek". There will be still another great film feature, making five big reels in all for today at the Victoria. It is "The Bridal Attire," and it is a scream for pure joy, with clever Billy Quirk in one of the stellar roles.

In addition to all this Mr. Joe Corbett, the popular baritone, will offer a new illustrated song, while the Christmas present contest will take on increased interest. The price of admission will remain at tiny 5 cents, afternoon and night.

At the New Grand.

The New Grand has certainly caught the fancy of the people and is winning the strongest kind of comment of admiration from the amusement-lovers of Wilmington. Its comfort is also a strong feature. The cold of yesterday made no never-mind to the New Grand. It was just as warm as a toast.

The film bill will be led by a special two-reeler, the Vitagraph's "Sunshine and Shadows." It is one of the prettiest and one of the most intensely interesting photoplays ever created and it will be hugely enjoyed. A star cast appears, including Norma Talmadge, Lillian Burns and Van Dyke Brooke.

The show will also set forth a great favorite in the latest "Broncho Billy" film. This one, "Broncho Billy's Decision," is the greatest yet, and Mr. G. M. Anderson does a clever bit of acting in the title role. There is also a swell laugh picture on today in "The Scab Waiter." The price of admission at the New Grand has not advanced, in spite of the big expense of improvement and the heavy cost of the films. It is still 5 cents, any and all the time.

Saved Girl's Life

"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

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COLLAR BAG	SUIT CASE
CUFF BUTTONS	SWEATER COAT
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GARTERS	TRAVELING BAG
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The Corbett Company
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But a calm pipe of VELVET might help—rumination often leads to reformation. And the Smoothest Smoking Tobacco is a good start. If you've been smoking some of the other kind now is the right time to try VELVET. 10c tins and 5c metal-lined bags.

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Norris' Candy Fresh by Express.

Armour's Housewives Bulletin

Christmas 1914

This is the year when Christmas Shopping will be governed by Common Sense. Something warm to be worn—something for comfort in the home—or, best of all—**something in the way of food.** The Shadow of what is going on in Europe will find its way into the hearts of housewives in this country, this year when they begin to do their Christmas Shopping, and those who are wise and believe in "doing it early" can do nothing better than make presents of baskets of food.

Do You Know the Value of This Hot Drink?

Doctors will tell you that it stimulates—makes you brace up—starts the blood tingling—**and there's no reaction.**

Ask your grocer or druggist **today** to send you a box of *Armour's* Bouillon Cubes and make a cup of steaming bouillon in an instant. It refreshes you. For children, before and after school, it is excellent. The invigorating effect **is a guard against chills and colds.** You ought to eat more soup. It is the healthy and natural way to start dinner.

Keep a Box of *Armour's* Bouillon Cubes

on hand, and you can always have delicious bouillon, tasting of beef and vegetables delicately seasoned, at a moment's notice. These cubes are on sale everywhere in boxes of 12, 50 and 100.

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The Drink That Links Health With Sociability

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Meals for the Holiday Season:

Breakfast

Grapefruit
Oatmeal and Cream
Devonshire Farm Style Sausage or Frizzled "Star" Ham
Hot Cakes Fried Apples
Coffee Tea

Party Sandwiches

Windsor Boulevard
Fairy Russian

Dinner

Oyster Soup
Celery Almonds
Roast Turkey with Sausage Croquettes
Potato Onions in Cream Squash
or
Baked "Star" Ham, Cider Sauce
Apple Rings Spinach
Panned Sweet Potato
Lettuce Salad Cheese Straws
Mince Pie (individual) Cake
Crackers Cheese Coffee

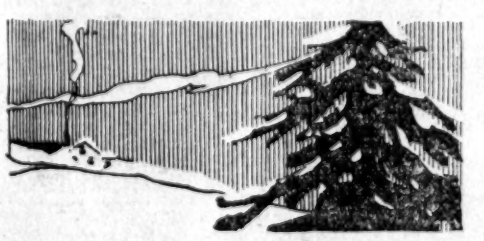
Lunch

Beef Bouillon
Flaked *Vorbest* Salmon
Beauregard Eggs
Sausage Surprise
Chicken Glace
Grape Juice Cocoa

Supper

Eggs a la Benedict Tuna Fish Salad
Cheese Fondue Ham Timbales

Recipes for the above and further suggestions as to cooking and serving sent on request



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Buy it Because —It's Economical—It's Just as Pure as Butter—It's Wholesome—It Goes Farther than Butter—It's Made in a Sanitary Factory—It has the Guarantee of the Armour Label as to Purity and Quality—and It's Good.

Prepared under U. S. Government supervision.

Buy your Christmas Turkey from an **Armour dealer** and be sure of getting a country-fed bird—plump and tender.

Armour's Cloverbloom Cheese

A pure, rich, full-cream cheese—delicate and mild even flavor.

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An Opportunity Improved Is Worth a Million Excuses

Where the housewife used to stand for hours cutting, chopping and mixing mincemeat she now buys

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The kind that makes you think of the time when you watched your mother make mincemeat. And such pies that her's were! Rich, spicy, juicy—you could hardly wait until they were cooked.

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Easily the first by reason of (1) quality of meat and (2) perfect "mild sugar" cure.

Christmas Ham

Wash an *Armour's* "Star" Ham (12 to 14 lbs.) and put it on to boil in cold water. When boiling, add 6 cloves, 2 bay leaves and simmer gently for four hours. Take from fire and allow to cool in same liquor; remove the rind, stick the ham all over with cloves about an inch apart and put in baking pan. Pour over a quart of cider, sprinkle the ham thickly with brown sugar and grated bread crumbs. Bake for one hour in moderate oven basting frequently.

Buckwheat Cakes and Devonshire Farm Style Sausage in the North and West—Corn Cakes and Devonshire Farm Style Sausage in the South.

Here's a royal Christmas breakfast for everyone. Devonshire Farm Style brand is the best. It has the Armour label and is backed by the guarantee of the Armour name

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1914.

What do you think of that?

Always look out for squalls.

Surprises are always in store for you.

A woman who makes a fool of a man apparently knows how to convert raw material into the finished product.

If a boy can make 138 bushels of corn on an acre, how much cain could a man raise on 138 gallons of corn?

Prediction for the coming year: Gubernatorial booms will begin in a circumspect way as soon as the General Assembly meets in January.

The United States Navy may not be prepared for war, but after the war in Europe she will have a long time to prepare for any nation that wants a first class fight.

First thing you know the Republicans will consider Representative Gardner a logical candidate for President because he can make a noise that sounds like something.

Get ready and stay ready must always be the policy of this country when it comes to the offensive and defensive. Without intending to do so, we make ourselves very offensive at times.

Any large municipality which contemplates the city manager plan should note what Postmaster General Burleson could do if he were to manage a city like he does the Postoffice Department.

If every Mexican general who starts himself a revolution sends a special representative to Washington there soon will not be enough natives left in the republic beyond the Rio Grande to carry on the fight.

Most Americans are praying for the war to end, but American manufacturers of war material are wisely increasing the capacity of their plants. They don't care which side wants the most war material.

A Minnesota man is suing for divorce because his wife has quit him 51 times. It is not stated whether the man himself is a "street angel and home devil" or whether his better half is a person of explosive irascibility.

A Chicago man says he does not obey his wife "but gives in to her." Well, if that isn't the purely strategic equivalent of surrendering with both hands up, what other name would that Chicago man have for a red apple?

When a prominent citizen of Mexico is summoned to headquarters to give an account of himself, his first thought should prompt him to put on his burying clothes unless he knows the way to the tall timber some distance away.

If the railroads have a just cause it is presumed the Interstate Commerce Commission will recognize it and act. After investigating the facts we do not presume that the Commerce Commission needs any advice, if its decision is to be just.

Have the people of Eastern North Carolina yet realized how easy it is to have winter cover crops? If not, why not? Can they learn a lesson from experience? A Castle Haynes farmer is grazing cattle in December on green stuff six inches high!

A New York girl while dining in Paris said to the colored waiter: "Passe me le pan." A Southern girl put a half a dollar under her plate and told the waiter she expected everything they had in the pantry. She got it. The waiter was a North Carolina darkey.

For years The Star has urged the people of Eastern North Carolina to plant pecans. During these Christmas holidays there are merchants who have been selling Cape Fear soft shell pecans exclusively. What do you think about that? Well, it means that those who have followed The Star's advice are getting money like picking it up in the road. Why not try English walnuts?

INVITING SETTLERS.

The South needs settlers and thinks it wants them. When it really wants them it will get them. The South extends an invitation to home seekers and it hopes they will come. "Hopes" is right, but "hopes" isn't business.

The South can attract home seekers and get settlers, but it has to do more than want them. It has to get them. The West and Northwest Canada wanted them and got them. While Northwest Canada wanted settlers, the South also wanted them. Northwest Canada got them by the hundreds of thousands. The South didn't. Northwest Canada got them because it had a definite proposition to make to settlers to whom an invitation was extended. The South did not get them because it extended an indifferent invitation and has never made but a few definite propositions to homeseekers.

We must say, however, that in a few instances the South has made a definite proposition to homeseekers and got settlers. A definite proposition is bound to get them, and we have never known it to fail. We don't have to tell how to attract homeseekers and succeed in getting settlers. Senator J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, can unfold the tale.

Chadbourn is a flourishing town in Columbus county, but it ought to be named Brown, by rights. We first knew of Chadbourn when it was in the "sticks." Originally Chadbourn was a saw mill conducted by the Chadbourn Lumber Company of Wilmington. Later the saw mill of the company was removed and Chadbourn became a 10 by 12 railroad station in a cut-over pine region. Now Chadbourn is a flourishing town of about 1,500 population and it is the seat of the Sunny South Colony.

Chadbourn is a flourishing town today and it is surrounded by a country wonderfully developed by western farmers, because there were cut over lands in that section and Joe Brown had an idea that they ought to be sold and settled. We happened to write up Chadbourn and pointed out the possibilities, and Senator Brown did the rest. We give him credit for doing all of it, and if others would do just as much as he did, there would be a thousand more towns in the South.

Chadbourn is the centre of about 3,000 or 4,000 of the thriftiest farmers to be found anywhere, and Senator Brown is doing a mercantile business in a town which was a timber tract when the writer took dinner at his house in 1899. The transformation of the whole country has been marvelous and it is because Senator Brown had the genius to organize a colonization scheme with a definite proposition, which got settlers.

We ought to know the trick, and simply go to work and turn it.

A YEAR OF WOEFUL WANT.

The coming year will be one of waste and woeful want in Europe.

It is well enough to be an optimist, but we may as well face the inevitable and go ahead. In fact, that is all we can do. We have been brought face to face with the fact that on account of the demoralization and ruin of war some 7,000,000 of the people of Belgium are without homes, food or hope. The generous sympathies of the American people have been appealed to, and the response has been prompt and liberal.

We should not overlook the fact, however, that we should be mindful of the awful truth that the war has blighted a much larger area than Belgium and that there are twice as many people who are as great sufferers as the truly unfortunate people of the little North Sea kingdom.

A London dispatch under the date of December 14 says, "Poland is fast becoming another Belgium, in point of suffering," while opposing armies are driving each other back and forth occupying and reoccupying villages and cities and inflicting upon the inhabitants bombardments similar to those which have been inflicted upon the people of Belgium and Northern France.

Since hostilities broke out between the warring nations, Poland has been the theatre of some of the awfullest battles of the war. Ruin and desolation follow in the wake of the great armies and God only knows what the experiences of the non-combatants are. The news reaching London is that more than 500 Polish towns have been ruined, according to various accounts from the various trustworthy correspondents. Both armies accuse the other of looting and cruelty. The flight of the civilians from Lodz was one of the most tragic episodes of the war, while one correspondent pictures the fate of Kalisz as a repetition of Louvain, with the slaughter of four hundred civilians and the sacking of the city. A distressing feature of the fighting in Poland we are told, is the blood kindred pitted against each other. There are several hundred thousand Poles in the Russian ranks, and several hundred thousand more in the ranks of the Germans and Austrians.

The world will have to prepare itself to do broader charity than it has done in aiding the Belgians. We may as well prepare ourselves to witness the distress of millions more of human beings of all nations.

LET'S CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

The cry of hard times goes up with a wail and all the South declares with a loud voice "the war is on"—but let us smile. What if cotton is selling far below the cost of production, the sale price does not affect the muscles of the face. What does it matter if the future is doubtful, we are living in the present, then let us smile and before long those around us will take up the smile and by the time Christmas day gets here everybody will be smiling.

Yes, we are playing in a little hard luck just at present and it seems that the South is getting the worst of the deal all the way round, but it is the cheerful man who will pull through his dull season and be the most prepared to accept the bountiful contributions of prosperity when Fate has turned her frown from upon us.

Fate does not play with crooked cards and while we are getting hands of the worst kind now, the game will change ere long and it is those who sit in the game who will rake in the pots in the future.

A great deal of our hard times is imaginary and if our imagination is used the other way we will find lots better as well as get along better. If your time was cut this month, smile and believe that it will be larger next month. We cant expect good times all the time and those who face a streak of hard luck with a smile are the ones who are always there when times change and better conditions come around.

A smile is more contagious than the yellow fever. Why not start an epidemic in Wilmington? Smile when you lose, smile when you win, smile all the time. If you are out of work and ask some one for a job with a smile on your face you stand a much better chance of getting one than you would should you go to him with the corners of your mouth hanging down and your eyebrows looking like inverted crescents.

Christmas time is here. The time when cheerfulness makes itself apparent without any reason, the time when you feel something in your bones that makes you want to treat others kindly and cause others to feel good. Perhaps this Christmas may not net up to last year, perhaps there will not be the money to spend for presents this year there was last, perhaps the pleasures this Christmas may have to be curtailed a bit, but why grieve over that? Smile and think of the good things in store for next year, think of them in earnest, really believing that times will be better, and they will be.

If we can't afford to give presents, let us give smiles. A Christmas when all people smile would be the greatest celebration of that day that is possible. Regardless of the cost of presents one may receive, if there is not a smile to go along with them that person's Christmas is a fake. Let us smile. Let us celebrate Christmas in the way it should be celebrated regardless of the socalled hard times and of a temporary business depression.

An Alabamian has sold his cotton plantation and invested his money in a drug store. That is like helping along the one crop idea and then deserting when the crisis comes. Just when are Southern farmers going to have more than one idea of farming?

CURRENT COMMENT.

Leonard Carter, of Jesup, has set a good example for other Georgia farm owners by installing two thoroughbred Hereford bulls and several hogs of improved breed on his Wayne county farms. He has taken a step towards making Georgia a great meat-producing State, by planning not only for more meat animals, but for better ones as well.—Savannah News.

More discord in the G. O. P. ranks. While Senator Lodge and his son-in-law, Congressman Gardner, are rending the heavens with their cries for an investigation of the nation's defenses, Senator Weeks, who is a graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and knows what he is talking about, deprecates all this sensational publicity and praises the strength and personnel of the navy. Like most sensible men, he fails to see the wisdom of making public all the secrets of the Navy and War Departments for the benefit of foreign nations. He stands with the President in favoring an adequate force of trained men for the contingency of war. As a possible great issue for the G. O. P. the war scare is falling flat.—Philadelphia Record.

The News has always stood for prohibition, but it has always believed in securing this reform in the true Democratic way, by local option, or by State action. Tomorrow it is said a vote will be taken in Congress on Representative Hobson's prohibition resolution; also upon the measure looking to a constitutional amendment providing for national woman suffrage. It is very likely that both propositions will be killed. The National government should not pass upon questions of this nature, for to do so would be a clear invasion of one of the cardinal principles of the republic—State's rights. The States and the States alone should decide both of these issues, and in the case of prohibition they are rarely failing to adopt that reform when the issue is submitted. Prohibition is sweeping the country and many States are now numbered in the dry colum n. The only way to secure real prohibition which will be effective is by the separate action of States themselves.—Charlotte News.

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: A. O. Schuster and wife to Southeastern Realty Company, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south line of Queen, 123 3-4 feet east of Thirteenth street, 41 by 110 feet in size; A. O. Schuster and wife to C. B. Parmele, for $100 and other considerations, lot on north line of Queen, 123 3-4 feet east of Thirteenth, 41 3-4 by 110 feet in size; A. O. Schuster and wife to Eliza C. Fick, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south line of Queen, 82 1-2 feet west of Fourteenth, 82 1-2 by 110 feet in size; Southeastern Realty Company to A. O. Schuster, for $100 and other considerations lot on South line of Queen, 112 3-4 feet west of Fourteenth, 41 1-4 by 110 feet in size; A. S. Robinson and wife to Alex Huggins, for $100 and other considerations lot 132 feet south of southwest corner of Tenth and Dawson streets, irregular in size.

How to Give Quinine to Children.

FEBRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2-ounce original package. The name FEBRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

(FEBRILINE)

"IN JAIL FOR DEBT"!

To the Editor of The Star:

Incarcerated in New Hanover county jail is a white man who is a husband and father and whose wife and children are understood to be entirely dependent upon him for support, and, if the facts have been correctly reported, his incarceration is a result, perhaps indirect and perhaps not solely, but a result nevertheless of the depressed business conditions now prevailing in this country because of the war in Europe. In other words, he is in jail for poverty, or rather, on account of debt, which, according to reports, he was unable to pay because he has been out of work of late, presumably on account of the depressed conditions.

One of the motives that inspired our fathers to shed their blood for American independence and for the establishment of this republic was that free men should no longer be imprisoned for debts they could not pay, and they placed a provision in the American constitution forbidding imprisonment for such cause. Yet, on the technical charge of "jumping a board bill," an American citizen spends the night in jail, when it is publicly stated that the man has been without work recently and has a wife and children to support.

The writer knows nothing of the man's character or habits, nor whether he is an industrious worker even in normal times. Also, it is known to be a violation of the law of the State for a man to jump a board bill. But it does seem that we are reaching a deplorable point, if during these times, when so many men are out of work, for no fault of their own but because of conditions beyond their control, a husband and father can be imprisoned because he fails to pay a debt, when his income is cut off and he has a wife and children to support. For aught the public knows, the money that might have gone to pay the board bill went to keep the wolf from the door of the wife and children a few days longer.

Let us be careful during these days that are "hard times" to some of our citizens, lest the "letter of the law" be used to persecute men who happen to become unfortunate victims of circumstances. A MAN WITH A HEART.

IN SUPERIOR COURT

Jury Failed to Award Negro Woman Any Damages for Alleged Injuries.

A verdict in favor of the defendant was returned by the jury in Superior Court yesterday in the case of Maria Melvin, colored, against the Tidewater Power Company. She was suing for $2,500 damages for alleged injuries claimed to have been received when she fell off a street car.

When court adjourned yesterday afternoon the case of Mr. W. A. McGowan against the Wetsern Union Telegraph Company was being heard. The case was originally brought in Justice Harriss' court against the Pullman Company and the Western Union. It was alleged by the plaintiff that he delivered a telegram to a Pullman porter to be sent to Jacksonville, Fla., while en route to that city, and that the telegram was never delivered. Justice Harriss gave judgment against the Western Union for $50.

The Western Union appealed to Superior Court and the plaintiff appealed in the case against the Pullman Company. Judge Allen ruled that it was a misjoinder of action and the plaintiff then took a non-suit in the case against the Pullman company. J. A. McNorton, Esq., appears for the plaintiff and Hon. John D. Bellamy for the Western Union.

An order was issued yesterday by Judge Allen that the American National Bank turn over to Mr. Henderson Cole, receiver for the Hopkins Furniture, certain leases held by the bank as collateral in order that they may be collected.

Judgment of non-suit was entered in the case of F. Q. Moore against S. L. Richardson. The plaintiff in the case of D. R. Foster against D. D. Lennon, which was tried several days ago served notice of appeal to the Supreme Court.

Praise From Treasurer.

Sheriff S. P. Cowan has received from State Treasurer B. R. Lacy a letter in which Mr. Lacy speaks in highly commendatory terms of his prompt work in collecting and forwarding money from this year's tax returns. Mr. Lacy states that in this respect Sheriff Cowan has done better than far this season than any of the 100 sheriffs of North Carolina, which, considering the scarcity of money, is a record that the New Hanover officer may well be proud of.

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News Form of City Government Not Improbable

Matter Discussed at Conference Yesterday—New City Limits Decided Upon—Tentative Outline of New Wards.

Suggestion of an entirely new City Charter, embodying radical changes in the form of city government, including the adoption of the city manager plan, with the mayor as city manager and executive head of all departments and a Council of five members to act merely in legislative and advisory capacities, found favor at a conference at the City Hall yesterday afternoon between Senator W. B. Cooper, Representative W. P. Stacy and several members of City Council, and indications are that such a plan may be decided upon, instead of attempting to amend the present City Charter as had been proposed.

While the idea advanced met with some opposition, the concensus of opinion on the part of those present was favorable to it. A meeting of City Council has been called to consider the matter at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, and after this meeting the legislators and Councilmen will meet and final decision will be reached.

Decision was also reached at the meeting yesterday as to the territory to be taken into the city in the extension of the corporate limits, and a tentative plan for new city ward lines was considered.

The plan seemingly favored by the majority of those attending the conference, embodying parts of several plans suggested, contemplates a mayor who shall be the executive head of the city government, with authority over every department, who shall have the power to appoint, with the advice and concurrence of Council, every salaried employe of the city, and to dismiss any employe who, in his opinion, is not properly performing his duties. The mayor is to give his whole time to the city, and is to be directly responsible for the city government. The question of the salary for this position was not taken up yesterday, but it is not improbable that if the plan is adopted the salary will be increased somewhat over that of the mayor under the present Charter, $2,400 a year.

Lower Salary for Council.

The five Councilmen are to each represent a ward, but are to be elected at large. The duties of the Council will be to enact all legislation for the city and to advise the executive heard of the government on all questions pertaining to the conduct of the city's business. Those favoring the plan contemplate a reduction in the salaries of the Councilmen, who now receive $50 a month. It was suggested yesterday that $25 a month would be ample.

The plan is practically the same as the city manager plan now in use in a number of the larger cities of the country, save that the executive head of the city government would be elected by the people instead of appointed by the Council, and would be known as the mayor rather than the city manager.

Opposition to the plan was expressed by one member of Council on the ground that it removed the power of the government too far from the people in concentrating it in one man.

However, the other members did not seem inclined to this view, and Messrs. Cooper and Stacy both were of the opinion that it would be a vast improvement over the present plan. Both were of the opinion that the people desire a change of some kind.

Other plans considered included the genuine commission form, with three commissioners and an appointive city manager, and also a plant to amend the present Charter so as to more clearly define the duties of the mayor and the several Councilmen. These, however, did not meet with the favor received by other suggestion.

New City Limits.

The new city limits, as decided upon yesterday, will be as follows: Beginning at mouth of the creek draining Greenfield Lake, thence west across the Cape Fear river to a point on Eagles Island; thence north on a line to a point on the northwest branch of the Cape Fear river; thence eastwardly in a straight line to a point in the center of the northeast branch of the Cape Fear river; thence up the river to the mouth of Smith's Creek, thence with the meanders of Smith's Creek to Green's Mill Creek; up Green's Mill Creek to Mineral branch; along Mineral Branch to the Shell Road; thence to the point where the A. C. L. belt line tracks are crossed by the suburban tracks of the Tidewater Power Company; thence along the belt line to Seventeenth street and out Seventeenth street extended to Jumping Run branch; down Jumping Run branch to Greenfield Lake and around the northern end of the lake to the Federal Point road, across the Federal Point road with the creek or branch draining the lake and down this creek to the river, the point of beginning.

This will take in all the manufacturing plants and other industries on Eagles' Island on the west bank of the Cape Fear; practically all of the plants on the outskirts of the present northern boundaries of the city; Carolina Heights and Carolina Place; Carolina Court, the Bronx, Manhattan and several other developments on the eastern edge of the city; Delgado Village, but not Delgado Mills, and Greenfield Terrace in the southern part of the city.

New Wards Suggested.

The plan for new city wards, as tentatively, discussed yesterday, makes Market, Fift hand Tenth streets the dividing lines for the wards, as follows:

First ward: Territory north of Market and west of Fifth street.

Second ward: Territory south of Market and west of Fifth street.

Third ward: Territory north of Market and between Fifth and Tenth streets.

Fourth ward: Territory south of Market and between Fifth and Tenth streets.

Fifth ward: Everything east of Tenth street.

It was suggested that six wards be laid out instead of five, making two wards out of the territory east of Tenth street, with Market street still the dividing line. This plan, however, would necessitate six Councilmen if one is elected from each ward, and the consensus of opinion seemed to favor five wards.

Will Employ Lawyer.

In the event that it is decided to present a new City Charter to the Legislature, it is not unlikely that Council will employ an attorney to draft the bill, under direction of Council and the city attorney and the two legislators. It is estimated that it would take at least two weeks to draw up the proper form of Charter, and the General Assembly convenes January 6.

TO HAVE WATER WASTE SURVEY

Councilman Loughlin Authorized to Have Work Done—Contract for Fire Boats—Fireworks.

Authority to have a water waste survey made early in the new year should he deem it necessary was granted to Councilman C. C. Loughlin, in charge of the water and sewerage department, at the weekly meeting of City Council yesterday morning. The survey will cost $1,260 and the money will come out of the earnings of the water and sewerage department for the next fiscal year, which, in this department, begins April 1.

Other than the discussion of the above matter, Council had little to do yesterday morning and the meeting was a short one. Mayor Moore presided and all members were in attendance with the exception of Councilman D. N. Chadwick.

In recommending the water waste survey, Councilman Loughlin pointed out that the city's consumption of water is much too high per capita, and that it has reached the point where it is taxing the capacity of the purification facilities. Consumption has increased, he said, 1,000,000 gallons since last December, and if there is an increase of 500,000 gallons during the next six months the plant, with its present facilities, will be utterly unable to treat this amount of water.

Much of the increase, Mr. Loughlin said, was due to the waste, and the survey he recommended would locate this waste and enable the department to prevent it in the future. He was certain that the survey would be the means of saving enough water the coming year to more than pay for its cost.

The following resolution, offered by Councilman Jones, suspending the fireworks ordinances on December 24 and 25, was adopted:

"Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Wilmington: That section 189, of the Revised Ordinances, forbidding the firing and display of fireworks within the city limits, be, and the same is hereby suspended from effect and operation on December 24 and 25, and January 1, 1915.

"Provided, That the use, firing or display of firecrackers, rockets, torpedoes, Roman candles, pistols, canes, or other like appliances is expressly forbidden at any point West of Front street within the limits of the city: Provided, further, That the use or firing of firecrackers over four inches in length, any pistol, using blank cartridges, or caps, or other explosive appliances containing chlorate of potash mixture, is hereby expressly forbidden within the city limits. Any violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offender to a penalty of $10.

A contract for putting a new cabin and upper part on the fire boat was awarded to the Cape Fear Machine Works for the sum of $420. The company submitted two bids, the one accepted for No. 14 iron plates and $395 for No. 16, a lighter iron. The Wilmington Iron Works submitted two bids, $560 for No. 14 and $540 for No. 16 iron.

Councilman Merritt remarked that he noticed from the press that the Board of Health was again asking that steps be taken to improve conditions at the disposal plant in the southern part of the city, and stated for the information of the other members that he was at work on a plan for putting in a motor there to operate a pump, wherewith to flush the disposal basis. He thought this would improve conditions. He would make a further report on the matter, he said, when all the details had been arranged.

Mr. Merritt was authorized to have a light placed in Brown's alley near Nixon street. On his recommendation City Engineer F. F. Pillett was granted a two weeks' vacation.

A communication was received from the Atlantic Bitulithic Company, in response to a notification from the city that it desired to extend the contract for the improvement of Market street with bitulithic to take in the block between Front and Second streets, stating that the change would be acceptable to the company provided the city attorney held that it could be legally done. City Attorney E. K. Bryan has advised that the contract can be extended to take in the additional block.

A letter was received from Chairman J. O. Carr, of the county Board of Education, asking that some improvements be made to the sidewalks at the William Hooper school. Councilman Merritt, of the department of streets and wharves, stated that the grading would be done.

Councilman T. W. Wood explained that work on the deep well on the city property was going forward, but not so rapidly as would be the case after the first well was completed. He also reported that Mr. W. E. North, who is superintending the work for the city, is figuring on the relative merits of pumping the water by gasoline or electricity, and that it might be possible for the city to fit up a small power plant at the water works plant to furnish the power for the pumping.

BRITISH STEAMER ARRIVES.

Brings Part Cargo of Fertilizer Materials—Schooner Sails.

The British steamer Cayo Manzanillo, coming from Liverpool, reached this port yesterday afternoon with a cargo of 475 tons of fertilizer materials for the Armour Fertilizer Works. The vessel, of 2,273 tons, is in charge of Captain Hunter and comes consigned to Alexander Sprunt & Son. She is discharging her cargo, and it is understood that she will leave today light for Southern ports.

The schooner Frank E. Swain cleared and sailed for Charleston, S. C., in ballast. She was consigned to C. D. Maffitt & Co., and is in charge of Captain Haskell.

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COLDEST NIGHT OF WINTER

Season's Record Broken Not Only in Wilmington, But Throughout Country—Warmer Today.

A minimum temperature of 20 degrees above zero was registered by Observer Felger's thermometer Tuesday night in Wilmington, this being the lowest of the winter. The nearest approach to this was on November 21, when it registered 24 degrees. The cold wave was not confined to Wilmington, but extended throughout the country. While not much change in temperature was forecasted by the Weather Man, the indications last night were that it would not be so cold today.

The thermometer last night at 8 o'clock registered 34 degrees, or three degrees higher than at the same hour on the previous night. At 8 o'clock yesterday morning it was 21 degrees, or five degrees colder than at the same hour on the previous day.

Temperatures in other cities in the State were even lower than in Wilmington. Asheville reported only four degrees above zero; Charlotte, 18; Raleigh, 18. The cold weather is general over the entire country, except in the extreme South, and freezing temperatures are again reported on the Gulf coast. Temperatures have fallen still further in the Northwest and readings of 20 to 24 below are reported in Montana, Wyoming and the Dakotas. Light local snows have fallen in the interior and in the Lake region.

Frozen water pipes in Wilmington were quite common yesterday and there were many calls for the plumber.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES AIRED

Negroes Sent to Roads for Fighting and Creating Disturbance.

Domestic troubles were aired in the Recorder's court yesterday morning, all of the offenders being negroes. Sylvester Green was charged by his wife with pointing a gun at her and was sent to the county roads for 60 days. John Gibbs was charged with assaulting a negro woman twice and also with larceny. She alleged that he stole her purse which contained 64 cents, but as the purse seemed to have been the cause of the fight, the charge of larceny was dismissed. He was fined $10 and the costs for each of the other offenses and in default went to the county roads for 60 days.

Alonzo Boston and Eveline Wortham were charged with engaging in an affray. The woman was found not guilty and judgment was held open in the case against the negro. Viola Southerland and Evelina Jackson were each taxed with one-half of the costs for engaging in an affray.

FUNERAL OF MR. MINTZ

Body Arrived From Jacksonville, Fla., Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Mr. W. S. Mintz, formerly of this city, who died at his home in Jacksonville, Fla., Sunday, was conducted from the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Mintz, No. 717 South Seventh street, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. J. F. King, pastor of Sixth Street Christian Advent church. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery.

The remains arrived on the 12:45 train from Jacksonville and were accompanied by his wife and two small children. The deceased was well known in Wilmington and had many friends here.

Will Move Fire Bell.

The residents in the vicinity of the Central Fire department of the city of Wilmington who have become accustomed to the alarms sent in when fires occur will be interested in the announcement made yesterday by Fire Chief Schmnibben that the bell is to be moved to Fifth and Castle streets when the new fire station is completed. The Central Fire station is located on Fourth street between Market and Dock.

For information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club, Phone 110. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

DAN HICKMAN DEAD

Columbus Negro Convict Dies in Wilmington—Autopsy May Be Held.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 16.—Dan Hickman, colored, until a few days ago an employe of the Butters Lumber Company at Boardman, recently sentenced to the Columbus county roads by Justice of the Peace Ashley M. Benton, of Evergreen, on a charge of disorderly conduct and taken from the roads to the hospital in Wilmington for an operation, died there yesterday morning according to advices received here. Hickman was last week sentenced to the roads by Magistrate Benton following an altercation with a clerk in the Butters Lumber Company's store at Boardman, a young man named Price. According to the best information that can be gathered here and by communication with parties at Boardman, it seems that the negro went into the store one evening last week and attempted to go behind the counter. Price, the clerk, ordered the negro from behind the counter and Hickman resented it, at the same time using a number of violent epithets and threats which were addressed at the young man, who grabbed the nearest thing to him, which, according to the account received here, was an axe handle, and hit the negro across the top of the head, flooring him.

The negro Hickman was then arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct and taken before Magistrate A. M. Benton, and sentenced to the county roads where he became violently crazy and had to be carried to the hospital for treatment. It is understood that a post mortem examination was held by Dr. James M. Northington and the physicians at the hospital, but nothing positive has been given out as a result thereof. Dr. W. R. Davis, chairman of the board of road commissioners, however, has deemed it best that an autopsy be performed and has accordingly notified Coroner Smith to come here immediately for that purpose and the hearing will probably take place tomorrow.

Hickman died of kidney trouble, according to the statement of Dr. Joseph Akerman, in charge of the James Walker Memorial Hospital. It was thought at first that a concussion of the brain might have resulted from the blow received by the negro, but a post mortem examination revealed that the death was due to kidney trouble.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Young Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thorp Painfully Injured.

William Marion Thorp, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thorp, who live at No. 416 Castle street, was painfully wounded by being accidentally shot by his companion, Roscoe Robinson, with an "unloaded" gun at Sunset Park yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. He was shot in the thigh but it is a flesh wound fortunately. He is at the James Walker Memorial Hospital and on account of his weakness it had not been possible to learn fully the extent of the wound last night.

The boys had been out on a hunting trip. They decided to play being cow boys and each unloaded their guns. The Robinson boy, however, seems to have neglected to take the shell out of his shotgun. The Thorp boy ran ahead of him and he called to him to halt. When he did not do so he pulled the trigger and the gun went off. The boy was greatly frightened by the explosion and his screams were heard by Mr. A. S. Peatross, who lives at Sunset Park. He carried the wounded boy to his home and summoned the ambulance.

MADE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. C.E. Hooper Honored at Meeting of Hotel Men in Richmond.

Mr. C. E. Hooper, the popular manager of the Orton hotel, was elected first vice president of the Tri-State Association of Hotel Men, which adjourned yesterday after having been in session for three days at the Hotel Richmond in Richmond, Va. The next meeting will be held in Winston-Salem. It is composed of hotel men from North and South Carolina and Virginia. Mr. Hooper will return to Wilmington this morning.

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Announcements have been received by friends in Wilmington reading as follows:

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and
Miss Annie Gause
announce their marriage
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The Junior Epworth League of Fifth Street Methodist church held their regular social meeting last night, following the weekly prayer service. The social meeting was led by Miss Alberta Batton. Songs and recitations contributed to the enjoyment of those present, and delightful refreshments were served.

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Yesterday's Charlotte Observer: "Mrs. Sarah E. Graham has returned to the city after visiting relatives in Goldsboro. Mrs. Graham makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Motte, the latter her daughter, on East Fourth street. Mr. Motte's mother, Mrs. Emily Motte, of Wilmington, has arrived to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Motte."

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Kinston, N. C., December 16. — A ladies of the Daughters of America, organized here this week, has 25 members, with Mrs. Jas. H. Dawson, councilor. The fraternity is the woman's auxiliary of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and has a big membership in the country, particularly the North and West. There are only a handful of councils in North Carolina as yet. Miss Sybil Hyatt, the well-known social worker, is a member of the new council here.

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A most delightful entertainment will be given this evening at the Boys' Brigade by the ladies of Southside Baptist church. The proceeds will be given to the building fund of that church. Beginning at 8 o'clock oysters will be served by the ladies. Other refreshments such as ice cream and cake will be served during the evening. A splendid musical entertainment will also be given during the evening. A special feature of the bazaar will be a doll booth, where attractively dressed dolls can be purchased for Christmas.

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REPORT OF SALES OF SEALS IS ENCOURAGING.

The reports of the various committees, in charge of the sale of Red Cross seals, at the regular monthly meeting of the Wilmington Chapter of the American Red Cross yesterday morning, showed that most gratifying results have been achieved and no difficulty is anticipated in disposing of the 100,000 already ordered. A number of other matters were considered at the meeting which was held in the parlors of the Colonial Inn.

The sale of seals at the postoffice yesterday amounted to 644. Miss Annie Kidder and Mrs. A. G. Ricaud will be in charge of the sale today.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Harry T. Patterson, assistant United States engineer, of Newbern, was in Wilmington yesterday on business.

—Capt. C. S. Ridley, in charge of the construction of the lock and dam at King's Bluff, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

—Friends of Mr. Hans A. Kure, who recently underwent an operation at Harper's sanitarium, will be glad to learn that he is greatly improved.

—Friends will regret to learn that Mr. H. H. Ford, of the United States engineeer's office, had to go to the James Walker Memorial hospital yesterday on account of illness. His condition is not serious and he expects to be able to be out again in a few days.

Mr. T. J. Pratt, a native of Wilmington, left last night for Norfolk, Va., to assume his new duties as secretary of the Empire Machine and Supply Corporation, successors to the F. M. Price Machinery Company. Mr. Pratt had been with the latter concern for the last several years and it is a fitting recognition of his services that he has been promoted to such an important position with the new firm which will continue the business.

LOCAL DOTS.

—License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. George W. Holden, of Supply, and Miss Florence Lewis, of Wilmington.

—Suit was started in Superior Court yesterday by George Harriss against J. Irving Bear. The complaint has not yet been filed.

—A nol pros with leave was taken in Justice Harriss' court yesterday morning in a case against B. Brady, white, charged with gambling.

—There is a mule and wagon at the police station which was found at 11th and Market streets Tuesday night by policemen A. E. Munn and S. H. Fulford. There was an axe in the wagon.

—Special proceedings in the form of a petition for partition of some lands were begun in Superior Court yesterday by Louis L. Hanby and Florence H. Foard and husband against A. J. Hanby, Jno. W. Helbig and wife and the American National Bank.

—W. B. Bordeaux, white, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Kermon yesterday morning on a warrant from Scott's Hill charging him with jumping a board bill. He was unable to give bond in the sum of $50 and went to jail. He has a wife and child to support. He has been without work recently and his lot has been a hard one.

—John Harlee, colored, has appealed to Superior Court in a case against him which was heard before Justice Harriss Tuesday, in which he is charged with the reckless driving of an automobile. He ran into a buggy which was being driven by Mr. J. W. Howard on the Scott's Hill road Friday night. Harlee says that he exercised due precaution. He has given bond for his appearance.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Stonewall Lodge of Pythians to Have Installation in January.

At the last meeting of Stonewall Lodge, Knights of Pythias, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

M. of W.—W. C. Owens.
C. C.—C. W. Woodward.
V. C.—Rev. J. S. Crowley.
Prelate—G. T. Flynn.
K. of R. and S.—W. C. Smith.
M. of F.—J. D. Kelley.
M. of E.—Claud Murray.
M. at A.—P. L. Page.

These officers will be installed at the regular meeting in January.

BRAVES CHAMPIONS OF THE FIRST SERIES.

Last Games in Friday Night League at Brigade Played Last Evening.

The Friday Night Basketball League of the Boys' Brigade played their last games of the series last night. The Giants opposed the Naps and the Braves the Cardinals, and in the returns the Giants stood winners over the Naps by a score of 35 to 18, while the Braves defeated the Cardinals 36 to 14.

These games decided the places of the teams in the struggle. The Braves are first with nine won and two lost; Naps won six and lost five; Giants won four and lost seven; Cardinals won three and lost eight. This gives the Braves the championship for the first series. This race has been the fastest pulled off at the Brigade in several years, as most of the games won and lost were by small margins. Another feature has been the remarkable development of several new young players.

Four good teams of almost equal strength will fight for the second series and this should prove one of the best series ever played at the Brigade. The new series will start January 17th.

Tomorrow night the teams in the Thursday night league will meet.

AIDS IN WRITING BOOK.

Former Wilmington Woman Wins High Praise for Her Assistance.

In a new life of General J. E. B. Stuart, the famous Confederate cavalry leader, just issued by the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company, of Richmond, Va., Mrs. M. L. Williamson, the author, gives great credit in her preface to the book for the valuable contributions and other assistance by Miss Evelina Oakley Wiggins, head of the English Department of the Lynchburg graded schools. Miss Wiggins is a native of Wilmington, and first taught in the city schools here. She is a graduate of the State Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro.

Since going to Virginia, she has made quite a reputation as a teacher and is widely known for her work in story telling for children. Her many friends in Wilmington will learn with interest of her success in her chosen work.

Mrs. Williamson is widely known as an author, especially for her lives of famous Confederate leaders. She has written lives of Lee, Jackson and Washington. These are intended especially for schools, and have been adopted as textbooks in many grammar schools.

COLORED PASTOR INSTALLED.

Rev. J. C. Scarborough in Charge of Christ Congregational Church.

Rev. John Calvin Scarborough, D. D., was installed last night as pastor of Christ Congregational church for the colored race. Prof. F. W. Fletcher, principal of Gregory Institute, presided at the services which were attended by a large colored congregation and many of their white friends. In the absence of Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who was to have preached the installation sermon, Prof. Fletcher preached.

Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, offered the installation prayer and Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian church, delivered the charge to the congregation. Rev. J. A. Bonner, D. D., pastor of the colored Presbyterian church, delivered the charge to the new pastor. Rev. M. L. Baldwin, who has charge of the colored Sunday school work for the Congregational church for North Carolina, extended the right hand of fellowship.

The new pastor comes to Wilmington from New Jersey where he has had charge of a church. He is a negro of fine scholarship, and an eloquent speaker.

COMMISSIONERS INSPECT ROCK.

New Hanover Board Went Over Federal Point Road Yesterday.

For the purpose of inspecting the Federal Point road and to see what kind of rock can be obtained from the Freeman land, two miles this side of Carolina Beach, the Board of County Commissioners of New Hanover, made a trip yesterday afternoon over the entire route which the three companies in charge of developments in the southern part of the county want improved.

The proposition of the three companies to contribute $1,000 a mile and to furnish the rock for improving the Federal Point road a distance of seven and a half miles and to complete it for the remaining two miles at their own expense will be considered at a special meeting of the board this afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is hardly likely, however, that a definite decision will be reached as there are some other details which the commissioners wish to acquaint themselves, especially as to the cost of construction of the road.

Addition to School Nearly Complete.

The addition of two rooms to the Winter Park school now under course of construction will be completed by January 10, and the crowded conditions that have existed there during the first term will be relieved. There are already two rooms and the building of two others will then make four class rooms. It is not planned to use but one of the additional rooms during the spring, but on account of the rapidly growing population in that popular suburban village it was thought best by the Board of Education to make sufficient provision for all needs for several years to come.

Married at Immanuel Parsonage.

Mr. William G. Shue and Miss Henrietta O. Sidbury, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Sidbury, No. 706 South Second street, were married last evening at 7:30 o'clock at the parsonage of Immanuel Presbyterian church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. S. Crowley. Mr. Shue is in charge of the cloth room at the Belwill cotton mill. He and his bride have many friends in the city who will extend to them best wishes. They will reside at No .2 Queen street.

Basketball at Y. M. C. A.

In the basketball games at the Y. M. C. A. last evening the Nightingales defeated the Eagles, 21 to 4, and the Bluebirds won from the Sparrows, 12 to 6. Both games were fast and well played.

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"HAM AND BACON SHOW" TO FEATURE LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT

Interesting Event to be Held at Statesville in January.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 15.—The "ham and bacon" show at the livestock exhibit at Statesville in January will be a unique feature, such an affair never having been featured at any fair in this State. Mr. Dan T. Gray, of the animal husbandry division of the experiment station, stated yesterday that there would be a prize offered to the producer of the most uniformly developed ham and the most uniformly developed piece of bacon.

Very extensive plans are being made by the station workers for this show, which is to be held January 22. The whole State will participate and every effort possible will be made to have the whole State take part in the exhibit.

The cheese making art will be shown in full operation with a view of encouraging the raising of more dairy cattle in the western part of the State. It has been successfully demonstrated by the dairying division that cheese of a high quality can easily be manufactured in the western part of the State, and to this end many experiments will be made for the spectators at the show. The premium list will be announced in a few days.

The show will not be run for any money making purpose, but for the sole purpose of encouraging the raising of a higher grade of stock in North Carolina.

SCARCE AT MOREHEAD

While Fish and Oyster Market at Newbern is Glutted.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 15.—While the Newbern water food market is "filled to the brim" with oysters, reports reaching this city from Morehead City and Beaufort, the two largest fish markets in Eastern North Carolina, are to the effect that the supply of fish being brought there at present is far below the average and the dealers are not able to supply the demand upon them. This condition has a decided effect upon the price fish on all inland markets, causing it to go up.

SOUTH MUST ABANDON THE COTTON CROP ONLY IDEA.

Houston at Aberdeen Urges Curtailment of Cotton Crop.

Aberdeen, N. C., Dec. 16.—Secretary of Agriculture Houston here this afternoon addressed the Sand Hill Farmers' Association, declaring that only through giving up the one-crop idea could the South avert these conditions as it is now facing and saying that he saw no certain means of meeting the present situation except through reduction of next year's cotton crop.

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 15.—The handsome home of Lovitt Hines, at Caswell and McElwean streets here, was damaged to the extent of $4,500 or $5,000 by fire early this afternoon. The cause has not been determined, but was probably a defective electric wire. Firemen saved the dwelling after smoke and water had damaged much valuable furniture. One fireman was overcome by smoke.

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Commissioner Shipman Makes Recommendations for Legislature.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 16.—Recommendations by Commissioner of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman to Governor Craig and the Legislature made public tonight urges specific age limit prohibiting children under 13 years working in any kind of factory, or messenger service, or any employment during hours schools are in session.

Advanced laws governing safety appliances and sanitation are recommended, also factory inspection as to child labor work hours, fire escapes and the like; and either repeal of the mine inspection law or the provision of an active inspector who shall be a mining school graduate.

Concerning hours of labor and factory inspection he says lack of confidence between advocates of restrictive and corrective measures and the manufacturers leaves small hope for either side to bring in a satisfactory bill, and the time has come for some member of the General Assembly, who has the courage of his convictions, to draft a bill that will take care of the situation.

PRESIDENT DOES HIS CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Accompanied by Secret Service Men, Chief Executive Takes In City.

Washington, Dec. 16.—President Wilson did his Christmas shopping today. He went into the downtown district at the rush hour, visiting a department store, two book stores, and a jewelry store for his gifts. All of the places were crowded and at times the President had to push his way energetically to get what he wanted. He was recognized by many shoppers and greeted all who spoke to him with a broad smile. Several secret service men accompanied him.

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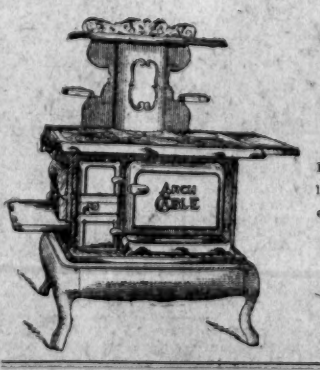

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SAFETY AT SEA PACT IS RATIFIED BY SENATE

Reserves the Right to Enact Higher Standards

Several Senators Put Up Hard Fight Against Measure—Resolution Reserves the Right for An Increase in Standards.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The international convention for safety of life at sea, signed at London January 2, 1914, by many world powers, was ratified today by the Senate after a resolution had been adopted reserving the right to enact higher standards than the treaty prescribes for health and safety on American vessels and to impose them upon all foreign vessels within its territorial waters.

Champions of the pending seamen's bill insisted that without the reservations the treaty might nullify the bill and regulations regarding immigrants. Senators Cummins and LaFollett, taking that position, have fought ratification for several days. Ratification was necessary by December 31, in accordance with terms of the pact.

The convention was framed after a conference between representatives of the United States, Great Britain, Germany, Austrian, Belgium, Denmark, Spain, France, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Russia and The Netherlands. It provides resolutions for destruction of derelicts, patrol for icebergs, wireless operation, distress signals, ocean routes, safety appliances, life boats, watertight bulkhead construction of ships, ventilation, inspection and everything pertaining to safety of life at sea.

Favorable action on the seaman's bill by the Senate commerce commission is expected tomorrow.

KARL JANSEN DELIGHTS AUDIENCE AT WARSAW

Items of Interest From Duplin County Town.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Warsaw, N. C., Dec. 19.—Mr. Karl Jansen, the Swedish entertainer and humorist, appeared here on Monday evening as the second of a series of entertainments that are being given under the auspices of the Woman's Betterment Association, and rendered a programme that was pleasing in every respect to the cultured audience that heard him.

His mental picture of Norway and Sweden, "The Land of the Midnight Sun," was very livid. He gave some excellent advice in regard to cooperation, and distinguished between two kinds of dancing. His advice to "talk it over with mother" was indeed an excellent way to distinguish between right and wrong in this popular pastime. His presentation of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" was delightful, and were the other parts of his two-hour entertainment, and every one that has been heard to express an opinion, and these are many, think the programme was one of the most entertaining and instructive that has been heard recently.

The piano which was awarded Miss Mankie Noble as representative of the Methodist church in a voting contest by a local firm was used for the first time in the Sunday school services on last Sunday morning and the members were all very much pleased with their new instrument. It will not be traded for an organ at present, at least, as was previously stated.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Mathais were the guests this week of Mrs. D. E. Best, having returned from Atlanta, Ga., where they spent a portion of their bridal tour, since they were married in Greenville on November 25. They will go from here to Greenville, Mrs. Mathais' former home, to spend the Christmas holidays.

"Her Friend, the Enemy," the strong civil war drama, which was presented here on Thanksgiving evening by the local talent with such a decided success, was again presented in Clinton by the same cast of characters and proved quite an attractive entertainment, and netted the Clinton chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy a neat sum, which will be used in the splendid work being done by that chapter.

The hunters are enjoying themselves to the fullest exent. Each day numbers of them hie themselves to the nearby fields, and return with full bags, after spending a pleasant and exhilarating afternoon or day. The partridges this year are more plentiful than they have been for some time, and it is a very poor hunter who can not bring home quite a number of these "birds," as they are familiarly known.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

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Annual Report of County Auditor

For the Fiscal Year Ending November 30th, 1914.

December 7th, 1914.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners,
of New Hanover County, Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find herewith attached my annual report of all County Funds for the year ending November 30th, 1914, together with certain statements and comment, as follows:

EXHIBIT "A"—General Balance Sheet.
EXHIBIT "B"—Revenue Statement.
EXHIBIT "C"—General County Fund.
EXHIBIT "D"—New Hanover County Road Fund.
EXHIBIT "E"—Special Bridge Fund.
EXHIBIT "F"—James Walker Memorial Hospital Fund.
EXHIBIT "G"—Court House Fund.
EXHIBIT "H"—Road Bond Sinking Fund.
EXHIBIT "I"—Township Road Fund.
EXHIBIT "J"—Salary Fund.
EXHIBIT "K"—Health Department Fund.
EXHIBIT "L"—Work House Fund.
EXHIBIT "M"—School Bond Sinking Fund.
EXHIBIT "N"—Taxes and Licenses Charged to Sheriff 1913 and 1914, and amount paid over by him tot date.
EXHIBIT "O"—Recorder's Court—Fines and Costs.
EXHIBIT "P"—Maintenance of Convicts.
EXHIBIT "Q"—Distribution of Rock from Quarry.
EXHIBIT "R"—Statement County Home and Farm.

COMMENT.

You will note from Exhibit "C" that the increased cost of "Tax Listing" over last year was only $16.51 although the cost of printing abstracts and Tax Book forms for 1914 was paid by the County, thus enabling us to decrease the work and make up the Tax Book on the typewriter in a more neat and comprehensive shape.

I respectfully refer you to recommendation made in my report for 1913, with reference to the necessity for a law requiring all Deeds or other conveyances to be presented to the County Auditor for propr entry on Tax Books before being recorded. This matter has not yet been presented to the General Assembly, but our County Attorney has the matter under advisement, and I would suggest that you confer with him as to details of a bill to be presented the next session of the Legislature.

The overdraft in School Bond Sinking Fund is due to the fact that no tax levy was made in 1913 to coversame. Levy for 1914, however, is sufficient to take care of current interest as well as the overdraft.

The overdraft in the Health Department Fund is due to the fact that this account was charged with $2,779.38 to reimburse the General Fund for payments made on account of Incinerator, etc., and was taken care of in this year's levy.

The overdraft in the Special Bridge Fund was only partly taken care of by this year's Tax Levy, the remainder being carried temporarily by the Road Fund account.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. ORRELL,
County Auditor.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET.
As of November 30, 1914.
ASSETS.

Funded:		
Cash on Deposit by Auditor standing to credit of the following funds:		
Road Bond Sinking Fund	$ 9,344.26	
10 Road Bonds	10,000.00	
9 C. H. Bonds	4,500.00	$ 23,844.26
Hospital Fund		512.26
N. H. County Road Bond		29,456.76
Work House		861.56
Salary Fund		2,886.13 $ 57,060.97
Less Overdraft.		
General County Funds		820.35
Special Bridge Fund		8,437.81
School Bond Sinking Fund		4,876.10
Health Department		2,872.04 17,006.30
		$ 40,054.67
Less Overdraft—School Fund		3,207.55
		$ 36,847.12
Current:		
Taxes 1914 due County	$ 71,918.67	
Taxes 1914 due Schools	58,695.54	$130,614.21

NECESSARY INVESTMENTS.

General County:			
Court House and ladn; Jail and land	$125,000.00		
Furniture and Fixtures	6,000.00	$131,000.00	
County Home and land	35,500.00		
Furniture, equipment and produce	4,327.62	39,827.62	
Work House (under construction)		19,138.44	
Oak Grove Cemetery	1,000.00		
Oak Grove Cemetery Lodge	75.00	1,075.00	
Federal Point railroad, less depreciation		10,000.00	
Camp and quarry equipment, road roller, etc		20,222.72	221,263.78
General School: (Including Buildings, Fixtures and Land).	White	Colored	
City Schools	$201,500.00	$13,500.00	$215,000.00
Rural Schools	20,955.00	7,135.00	28,090.00
	$222,455.00	$20,635.00	$243,090.00
Land donated by U. S. Government for Industrial School (estimated)			25,000.00
School Bond Funds expended in lands and building			132,174.87 400,264.87
			$788,989.98

In determining value of School Property, I have used figures shown last year plus amount of Bond Funds so far expended in improvements as the Board of Education are not yet prepared to furnish a revised statement of these values.

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountant.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET.
As of November 30, 1914.
LIABILITIES.

Bonded Indebtedness:		
Court House 5's issued Feb. 18, 1891, due Jan. 1, 1917	$ 50,000.00	
Less, Redeemed	42,200.00	$ 7,800.00
New Hanover County Road Fund:		
4½s issued Jan. 1, 1902, due Jan. 1, 1927	50,000.00	
4s issued July 1, 1905, due July 1, 1930	50,000.00	
4½s issued July 1, 1908, due July 1, 1933	50,000.00	
4½s issued July 1, 1911, due July 1, 1936	50,000.00	
5s issued July 1, 1913, due July 1, 1938	100,000.00	300,000.00
New Hanover County School Bonds:		
5s issued July 1, 1913, due July 1, 1938		175,000.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness		$482,800.00
Floating:		
Interest accrued on Court House Bonds	$ 162.50	
Interest accrued on N. H. Co. Road Bonds	5,729.16	
Interest accrued on N. H. Co. School Bonds	3,645.83	9,537.49
Notes Payable—County	5,000.00	
Notes Payable—Work House	20,000.00	25,000.00
Notes Payable—Schools (State of N. C.)		4,060.00
TOTAL		$ 521,397.49
SURPLUS		267,592.49
		$ 788,989.98

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "A".

GENERAL COUNTY FUNDS.
(Exclusive of Schools.)
For year ended November 30th, 1914.

Receipts and Transfers:		
General County Fund		$ 70,549.95
N. H. County Road Fund		104,888.84
Road Bond Sinking Fund		22,696.58
Hospital Fund		9,120.73
Health Department Fund		7,286.88
Special Bridge Fund		10,970.39
Court House Bond Fund		277.50
Salary Fund		20,956.59
Work House Fund		20,000.00
Township Road Fund		38.64
School Bond Sinking Fund		8,388.90
		$275,175.00
December 1st, 1913, overdraft		7,796.84
		$267,378.16
Disbursements and Transfers:		
General County Fund		$ 66,766.30
N. H. County Road Fund		64,504.28
Road Bond Sinking Fund		14,010.74
School Bond Sinking Fund		18,265.00
Hospital Fund		9,000.00
Health Department Fund		10,158.92
Township Road Fund		1,314.09
Special Bridge Fund		10,073.33
Court House Bond Fund		277.50
Salary Fund		18,814.89
Work House Fund		19,138.44
		$227,323.49
Balance on hand November 30, 1914		40,054.67
		$267,378.16

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "B".

GENERAL FUND.
For the year ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

Poll and Property Tax		$36,372.66	
Schedule "B" Tax		6,392.25	
Marriage Licenses		414.30	
Sale of Produce—County Home		1,649.96	
Hire of Prisoners—County Home		293.20	
Refund on Mules—County Home		9.38	
Hire of Prisoners		431.65	
Jail Fees—Magistrates			
Jail Fees—Superior Court			
Jail Fees—Recorder's Court		256.85	
Recorder's Court Costs		4,519.00	
Jury Tax		105.00	
Jury Meals		232.25	
Stenographer's Fees		241.60	
Fees, Auditor's Office (Schedule "B")		79.95	
Back Taxes		2658.24	
Cancelled Warrants,		11.00	
Pender County, Part Bridge Expense		74.05	
Cost Bond Election—Road Fund	$705.78		
Cost Bond Election—School Fund	705.78	1,411.56	
Health Department, Refund, Incinerator, etc		2,779.38	
Notes Discounted		10,000.00	
Rent of Pest Houses		8.77	
Transfer from Salary Fund		244.43	
Transfer from Work House Fund		2,364.47	
Overdraft, November 30th, 1914		820.35	$ 71,370.30
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Salaries:			
Attorney		$ 600.00	
Auditor		1,250.00	
Clerk to Board		1,600.00	
Clerk to Auditor		736.00	
Jailor		1,090.00	
Janitor		780.00	
Bridge Tender		360.00	
County Commissioners		1,495.00	
Magistrates		249.71	
Stationery and Advertising		1,549.86	
Jail		1,265.09	
Recorder's Court—Recorder's Salary	$2,000.00		
Recorder's Court—Solicitor's Salary	1,800.00		
Recorder's Court—Dy. Recorder's Salary	48.00		
Recorder's Court—Other Expenses	477.94	4,325.94	
Superior Court		7,907.27	
Advanced payments account Work House		2,364.47	
Road and Bridges		1,925.03	
Out Doof Poor		3,774.80	
United Charities		1,509.35	
County Home		6,935.40	
Farm Demonstrator		750.00	
Elections		1,789.09	
Tax Listing		1,769.31	
Red Cross Society		1,500.00	
Military		600.00	
Coroner		365.45	
Constables		125.19	
Court House		4,655.88	
Interest on loans and overdrafts		651.21	
Transfer Court House Bond Fund		277.50	
Safe and Freight		185.50	
Notes Paid		10,000.00	
Advance to Sheriff		375.00	
Postage		$ 142.06	
Refunded Taxes		318.74	
Public Auditor		313.52	
Motorcycle, repairs and expense		238.33	
N. E. River Bridge repairs and expense		47.08	
Lodge, Oak Grove Cemetery		104.40	
Motor Licenses		17.00	
Attorney Fees and Making Bonds		475.00	
Advertising, Reports, etc.		60.48	
Advertising Account Bonds		15.96	
Appropriation Suppression Vice		605.00	
Attendance Pension Board,		16.00	
Insurance		1,136.15	
Capture escaped convicts and taking boy to Reformatory		221.17	
State Association County Commrs.		5.00	
Miscellaneous		293.36	3,768.52 66,766.30
Overdraft, December 1st, 1913.			4,604.00
			$ 71,370.30

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "C".

ROAD FUND.
For Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

Automobile License Tax from State	$ 2,131.40	
Sale of Bonds	100,000.00	
Sale of Dynamite	4.90	
Sale of Pigs	36.40	
Switching Cars	20.00	
Interest	1,155.83	
Insurance on Dead Mule	75.00	
Refund Insurance Premium on Mule	1.75	
Wages not called for	61.66	
Refund Warrtnts 949-950	4.50	
Claim collected for Truck fan lost in transit	3.25	
Refund for Truck parts returned manufacturer	7.10	
Transfer from Township Road Fund	1,314.09	
Sancelled Warrants, No. 502 and —	72.96	$104,888.84
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Nov. 30, 1913, Overdraft	$ 10,927.80	
Tools and Machinery	212.65	
Mules Purchased	1,440.00	
Wagons and Harness	407.18	
Clothing and Bedding	2,364.62	
Material—Rock, Lumber, etc.	4,335.27	
Supplies—Hardware, Nails, etc.	1,617.52	
Miscellaneous Repairs	1,216.46	
Feeding Prisoners	10,222.46	
Feeding Mules	4,248.86	
Shoeing Mules	182.88	
Foremen—Guards and Labor	10,132.87	
Coal	976.86	
Current for Pump and Lights	921.12	
Freight on Rock, etc.	6,772.88	
Oil and Kerosene	740.79	
Auto. Supplies and Repairs	305.49	
Truck, Supplies and Repairs	1,050.93	
Medicine for Mules	46.76	
Half Expense Bond Issue	705.78	
Removing Body of Convict	8.00	
Dynamite	155.02	
Vaccine, Fly Paper, etc.	5.62	
Rent Quarters Castle Hayne	23.98	
Tents	426.45	
Grading Villa View Road	697.82	
Screens	1.25	
Demurrage,	2.00	
Civil Engineer, $87.65—104.90	192.55	
Insurance on Mules	173.25	
Auto Service	5.00	
Stationery	9.25	
Plowing, Seeding and Harvesting, Oats and Vetch, Gregerson Land	305.25	
Plowing and Seeding Peas, Gregerson Land	130.68	
Examination of Roads (S. H. Owens)	33.85	
Notes Paid	10,000.00	
Royalty on Rock (Est. I. B. R.)	782.53	
Freight and Telegrams	.80	
Canvas for Cage	50.00	
Phones	48.00	
Work on Island Creek Road	76.25	
Rewards	227.60	
Expense Capturing Convicts	226.63	
Search for Convicts	164.00	
Phone Tolls and Telegrams	10.51	
Road Oil	2,821.26	
Advertising Rewards	1.32	
Oil Cloth	.83	
Stove Pipe	.50	
Needles and Thread	.30	
Moving House Federal Point Road	18.00	
Impounding Hogs	5.00	
Balance, November 30th, 1914	29,456.76	$104,888.84

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "D".

SPECIAL BRIDGE FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

Taxes as per Levy	$ 10,970.39	
November 30, Overdraft	8,437.81	$ 19,408.20
DISBURSEMENTS.		
December 1, Overdraft	$ 9,334.87	
Note Paid	10,000.00	
Interest on Note	73.33	$ 19,408.20

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "E".

HOSPITAL FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

1913	December 1st, Balance on hand	$ 391.53	
	Taxes as per Levy	9,120.73	$ 9,512.26
	Appropriation for the year	9,000.00	
	November 30, Balance	512.26	$ 9,512.26

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "F".

COURT HOUSE BOND FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

Transferred from General Fund	$ 277.50	
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Interest on Bonds	$ 277.50	

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "G".

ROAD BOND SINKING FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

1913	Dec. 1st, Balance on hand	$ 15,158.42	
	Taxes as per Levy	19,444.53	
	Interest on Deposits	417.33	
	Interest on Bonds $250.00—$362.50	612.50	
	Interest on Bonds Sold, 7-1-13 to 12-10-13	2,222.22	$ 37,855.00
DISBURSEMENTS.			
	Interest on Bonds	$ 13,725.00	
	Accrued Interestt on Bonds Bought	285.74	
	Balance on hand November 30th, 1914	23,844.26	$ 37,855.00

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "H".

TOWNSHIP ROAD FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

1913	Dec. 1, Balance on hand	$ 1,275.45	
	Interest	38.64	$ 1,314.09
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Transfer to N. H. Co. Road Fund, Cape Fear township		583.13	
Federal Pt. township		130.62	
Harnett township		570.13	
Masonboro township		30.21	$ 1,314.09

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "I".

SALARY FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.

	Sheriff	Clerk S.C.	Register	Constable	Bond Premium	Total
December	$1,105.05	$ 389.42	$ 428.90	$ 79.67	$	$2,003.05
January	.....	478.31	407.40	26.80	.....	942.51
February	2,749.79	403.77	362.35	76.30	.....	3,592.21
March	830.31	310.35	405.40	39.30	140.62	1,725.98
April	582.76	434.97	455.30	26.70	.....	1,499.73
May	388.60	381.16	475.00	76.07	.....	1,320.83
June	524.52	391.50	434.40	76.75	.....	1,427.17
July	288.30	1039.48	486.65	79.30	.....	1,893.73
August	317.37	298.17	.....	57.73	.....	673.27
September	238.24	360.30	732.90	81.90	.....	1,413.34
October	1,239.34	770.25	308.35	52.40	.....	2,370.34
November	1,228.20	537.58	310.05	48.60	.....	2,124.43
Total	$9,492.49	$5,795.26	$4,806.70	$721.52	140.62	$20,956.59
DISBURSEMENTS.						
December	$ 643.10 1.19)	$ 379.17	$ 358.33	$ 75.00	$ 340.62	$1,796.22
January	541.67	379.17	358.33	60.00	.....	1,340.36
February	573.34	379.16	358.34	75.00	.....	1,385.84
March	547.55	379.17	358.33	60.00	.....	1,345.05
April	864.61	379.17	358.33	60.00	.....	1,662.11
May	827.67	379.17	358.33	75.00	.....	1,640.17
June	543.57	386.66	423.34	75.00	87.50	1,516.07
July	697.12	379.17	359.93	75.00	.....	1,511.22
August	552.97	379.16	358.33	60.00	.....	1,350.46
September	571.06	379.17	358.33	75.00	.....	1,383.56
October	659.16	379.17	358.34	60.00	.....	1,456.67
November	541.66	379.16	358.34	60.00	.....	1,339.16
Provisions	24.15	for Jail from County Home.				24.15
Provisions	819.42	for Jaid, Purchased				819.42
Total	$8,408.24	$4,557.50	$4,366.60	$810.00	$428.12	$18,570.46
Surplus	$1,084.25	$1,237.76	$ 440.10	.....	.....	$ 2,386.13
Deficit	.....	.....	.....	$ 88.18	$ 287.50	.....

Balance December 1, 1913, $244.43, transferred to General Fund.

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "J".

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
RECEIPTS.

Taxes as per Levy	$ 7,286.88	
Overdraft, November 30, 1914	2,872.04	$ 10,158.92
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Appropriation	5,525.64	
Fees—Vital Statistics Registrars	74.25	
City of Wilmington account Incinerator	1,701.18	
Difference Salary Health Officers	58.32	
Expenses Health Officers	20.15	
Transfer to General Fund, former payments account Incinerator	2,779.38	$ 10,158.92

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "K".

WORK HOUSE.
RECEIPTS.

Notes Discounted	$ 20,000.00	$ 20,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Interest on Note	$ 300.00	
Transfer to General Fund for Material Purchased	2,364.47	
Labor and Material in Construction	16,473.97	$ 19,138.44
Balance on Hand	861.56	861.56
		$ 20,000.00

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "L".

SCHOOL BOND SINKING FUND.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
RECEIPTS.

Interest on Bonds sold 7-1-13 to 12-10-13	$ 3,888.90	
Note Discounted	4,500.00	
Nov. 30th, Overdrawn	4,876.10	$ 13,265.00
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Coupons Paid	8,675.00	
Interest on Note	90.00	
Note Paid	4,500.00	$ 13,265.00

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Public Accountants.

EXHIBIT "M".

(Continued on Page Eight.)

MILK DEALERS LOSE IN STATE SUPREME COURT

"No Error" in Wilmington Case of State vs. Craft Et Al

Lower Court Confirmed in Conviction and Fines of $10 Each for Unlawfully Conspiring to Advance Milk Prices.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 16.—Fifteen appeals were disposed of through opinions delivered by the Supreme court this afternoon, one of special interest being State vs. Ed. C. Craft and others, of Wilmington, in which the lower court is confirmed in conviction and fine of $10 each against the defendants for unlawfully conspiring to put up the price of milk in Wilmington. The defendants were dairymen of Wilmington and agreed upon advance in the price of milk, they representing 60 per cent. of the milk production for that city. The indictments were sustained under the common law.

Other Cases.

Another especially notable case is the State vs. Southern Express Company from Morganton, in which the express company was under indictment for delivering whiskey to J. W. Carrison for his person and private use the court holding, as in the High Point case, that interstate deliveries can only be interferde with when the whiskey appears to be intended for unlawful use. The full list of opinions disposed of follows:

State vs. Ed. C. Craft et al. New Hanover, no error; State vs. Southern Express Company, Burke, affirmed; Corpening vs. Westall, Burke, new trial; Ridge vs. Norfolk Southern Railway, Randolph, no error; Clark vs. Wright, Lincoln, new trial; Lutz vs. Hoyle, Lincoln, reversed; Linker vs. Linker, Cabarrus, modified and affirmed; Horton vs. Jones, Caldwell, modified and affirmed; costs divided; Land company vs. Bostic, Rutherford, no error; Carpenter vs. Rutherfordton, new trial; Hoyle vs. City of Hickory, Catawba, no error; Pierce vs. Eller, Wilkes, reversed; Whitaker vs. Garren, Henderson, new trial; Embler et al, vs. Glouster Lumber Company, Henderson, no error; Padgett vs. McKoy, Buncombe, no error, motion for new trial for newly discovered evidence denied; Turner vs. Asheville Power & Light Company, Buncombe, new trial; Reynolds vs. Palmer, Buncombe, no error; Ingle, administrator, vs. Southern Railway, Buncombe, no error; Adickes vs. Chatham, Buncombe, affirmed; State vs. McLawhorn, Sampson, motion of defendant to reinstate, denied; Dillard vs. Simmons, Granville, motion for new trial on new evidence allowed; Lancaster vs. Bland, Craven, dismissed under rule No. 17, and motion to reinstate denied.

REFORMS FOR THE LEGISLATURE

Urged by Secretary of State in His Annual Report to Governor.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 15.—In his annual report to Governor Craig and the General Assembly, Col. J. Bryan Grimes, as Secretary of State, insists that some method should be adopted to avoid the rush of work at the close of the legislative sessions. He points out that at the 1913 session 76 per cent. of the acts passed had their final reading and ratification in the last ten days of the session and he marshals figures from previous sessions to show that the congestion in the last days increases with each session of the Assembly, making inevitable much crude legislation and many inaccuracies. He advises again the consolidation of the engrossing and the enrolling departments of the Legislature in the interest of economy and accuracy.

The report renews insistance that the State should have a competent legislative reference librarian, an officer that many States in the Union have found necessary and greatly helpful as a "clearing house for information upon public affairs." He points out that such an officer would be required to give condensed, comprehensive, impartial and accurate information on any subject on short notice. For the busy legislator he would have ready the accumulated, classified experiments and experience of all other States and countries upon every question of legislation that would be likely to arise. This officer could also edit the laws for the State printer, make the annotation and keep the revisal of 1905 revised to date and give assistance in the preparation of bills for the members of the Legislature.

The report expresses special regret at the defeat of those proposed amendments to the State constitution designed to curtail the work of the Legislature by making unnecessary three-fourths of the little unimportant acts that now clog the legislative mill each session. As illustrating how there could be consolidations and elimination of a large part of the legislation complained of he gives figures as to local bills passed the past four sessions. The figures as to the 1913 session making this, the worst showing: Acts as to county and township bonds, 97; other bonds, 118; county commissioners, 33; court stenographers, 12; chicken laws, 4; drainage laws, 20; game and fish laws, 89; primaries, 16; local courts, 40; road laws, 158; stock laws, 18; jurors, 16; justices of the peace, 19; relative cities and towns, 325; corporations, 20; graded schools and school districts, 127; railroads, 24.

To Move Christmas Week.

Christmas week is to be made use of by the Federal authorities here for moving the post office, the internal revenue offices, and the Federal court from the temporary quarters in the Montague building on Hargett street, into the splendid remodeled and enlarged postoffice building on Fayetteville street, which has been in the hands of the contractors for more than a year, and is now conceded to be one of the most commodious and best equipped government buildings in this part of the country.

Lacy Hurrying Sheriffs.

State Treasurer B. R. Lacy is making special effort to procure the earliest possible settlement of State taxes by the county sheriffs, not a single sheriff having settled taxes for the current year in spite of the fact that heretofore numbers of sheriffs had settled by this time. In view of the slack tax collections the December 1 balance in the State treasury of $169,000 recently reported as found by the legislative examining committee is declared to be especially gratifying. Indications are that large numbers of the sheriffs will be in position to settle in full or make large payments on State taxes due within the next week or two. The issuance of pension warrants for old soldiers, these being mailed out by the State auditor at this time, represents an especially heavy drain on the Treasury which is expected to be taken care of largely through current tax receipts. This situation is being put up to the sheriffs in the insistance that their settlements be made as early as possible and that partial payments at least, be rushed to the State Treasurer.

Have you joined the 1915 Savings Club at the American National Bank?—Advertisement. tf

Rocky Mount, Dec. 16.—George West, an Atlanttic Coast Line telegraph operator at what is known the A. and A. tower near Fayetteville, was yesterday morning attacked and severely beaten by two white men supposed to be tramps, whose purpose, it is believed was to rob the man in the tower. West succeeded in beating off his assailants, but was so severely and painfully injured that a physician was called to attend him.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

Grey Top Patent Leather Shoes.

Leather and felt slippers just received at Peterson & Ruffs.—advertisement. 2t

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR

(Continued From Page Seven.)

Statement of 1913 Taxes and Licenses Charged to Sheriff and Amount Paid by Him to the Auditor, as of Date November 30th, 1914.

Listed:		Assessment.			
Real and Personal (White)		$14,095,091.00			
Real and Personal (Colored)		741,934.00			
Bank Stock and Corporate Excess		4,289,246.00			
Total		$19,126,271.00			$157,472.94
Polls (White)	3341				
Polls (Colored)	1370	4711			8,856.68
Dogs		69			138.00
Total					$166,467.62
Gains					24.33
Listed by Sheriff:					
Real and Personal		$90,606.00@82 1-3			$ 746.00
Polls (White)	282				1.[illegible]
Polls (Colored)	0	582@1.88			1,094.16
Dogs		1@2.00			2.00
Listed by Auditor:					
Real and Personal	$18,161.00				
Corporate Excess	6,712.00				
Bank Stotck	18,450.00	43,323.00@82 1-3			356.69
Polls (White)	21@1.88				39.48
Delinquents collected:					
Real and Personal		139,790.00@82 1-3			1,150.94
Polls	5@1.88				9.40
Delinquents sold:					
Real and Personal		24,329.00@82 1-3			200.36
Polls	3@1.88				5.64
Income					20.00
Schedule "B"					5,945.41
Collected since 1912:					
Personal	$11,847.00				
Corporate, Excess & Bank Stock	9,161.00	21,008.00@75			157.57
Polls	160@2.51				401.60
Total charged to Sheriff					$176,621.20

CREDITS.

Insolvent Polls	13@1.88		24.44
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Insolvent Personal		108,542.00@82 1-3	893.66
Insolvent Dogs	9@2.00		18.00
Insolvent Real		53,816.00@82 1-3	443.08
Insolvent Corporate Excess & Bk Stk		68,693.00@82 1-3	565.56
Abatements:			
Real, Personal, etc		166,923.00	1,374.38
Polls	54@1.88		101.52
Dogs	2@2.00		4.00
Real Estate & Personal sold for Taxes		150,574.00@1.10	1,656.65
Real Estate and Personal sold for Taxes		80,837.00@82 1-3	665.60
Polls sold with Real Estate	59@2.00		118.00
Dogs sold with Real Estate	2@2.00		4.00
Income			69.40
Total Credits			$ 8,403.32
Collected by Sheriff			$168,217.88
Sheriff's Commission			5,170.73
Amount paid Auditor			163,047.15
Total			$168,217.88
Collections Credited to School Fund			$ 42,411.17
Collections Credited to School Fund, Special			27,426.01
			$ 69,837.18
General Fund			44,899.43
Poor Fund			1,488.01
Hospital Fund			9,120.73
Road Sinking Fund			19,444.53
Special Bridge Fund			10,970.39
Health Department			7,286.88
			$163,047.15

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH CO.
Public Accountants.
EXHIBIT "N".

Statement of 1914 Taxes and Licenses Charged to Sheriff and Amount Paid by Him to the Auditor, as of Date November 30th, 1914.

	Assessment.			
Real and Personal (White)	$11,757,045.00			
Real and Personal (Colored)	754,325.00			
Real and Personal (Corporations)	2,642,514.00			
Bank Stock and Corporate Excess	4,160,838.00			
	$19,314,722.00	@82 1-3		$1[illegible]
Fractional Gains,				11.36
Polls (White)	3509			
Polls (Colored)	1669	5178@1.88		9,734.64
Dogs	3			6.00
				$168,776.54
Schedule "B"				6,573.01
Total Charged to Sheriff				$175,349.55
Amount Paid to Auditor Nov. 30, 1914				44,735.34
Amount to be collected				$130,614.21

	Paid	Uncollected
School Funds	$ 9,535.55	$ 36,875.10
Special School Funds	7,151.64	21,820.44
General Fund	28,048.15	20,376.58
Poor Fund		1,967.64
Hospital Fund		9,657.36
Road Sinking Fund		14,807.95
School Sinking Fund		13,520.31
Special Bridge Fund		3,862.94
Health Department Fund		7,725.89
	$44,735.34	$130,614.21
		44,735.34
		$175,349.55

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH CO.
Public Accountants.
EXHIBIT "N".

RECORDER'S COURT—Fines and Costs
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
Current Fines and Costs Collected During Year:

	Fines	Costs	Jail Fees	Solicitor	Total
December, 1913	$ 127.00	$ 261.80	$ 9.15	$ 51.50	$ 449.45
January 1914	124.75	192.70	14.55	37.50	369.50
February "	100.45	180.85	12.75	33.25	327.30
March "	120.50	264.55	11.30	56.50	452.85
April "	235.00	241.85	13.30	53.25	543.40
May "	279.00	212.30	10.95	40.75	543.00
June "	185.95	291.20	18.70	56.00	551.85
July "	96.25	233.10	7.70	47.50	384.55
August "	204.45	361.75	15.00	71.25	652.45
September "	140.00	414.90	8.30	92.50	655.70
October "	132.55	283.85	13.65	57.00	487.05
November "	50.00	217.60	5.60	39.75	312.95
Total	$1,795.90	$3,156.45	$ 140.95	$ 636.75	$5,730.05

Delinquents prior to Dec. 1st, 1914, collected during present year:

December, 1913		$ 6.40		$	6.40

Delinquents December 1st, 1912, to Nov. 30, 1913, collected during present year:

December, 1913	30.00	18.40	.85	3.25	52.50
January 1914	10.00	9.15	.85	1.00	21.00
February "	3.45				3.45
June "	5.00	4.70		.75	10.45
Total	48.45	32.25	1.70	5.00	87.40

Delinquents Dec. 1, 1913 to Nov. 30, 1914, collected during present year:

January, 1914	$ 104.30	$ 35.05	$ 3.40	$ 6.75	$ 149.50
February "	87.90	11.50	3.95	2.75	106.00
March "	21.15	29.65		5.75	56.55
April "	24.50	59.15	6.45	10.50	100.60
May "	10.45	18.55		4.00	33.00
June "	34.70	38.85	1.95	7.00	82.50
July "	142.00	36.75	2.45	7.50	188.70
August "	116.75	41.45	2.55	7.00	167.75
September "	40.55	31.85	1.85	6.00	80.25
October "	10.00	38.30	1.85	7.75	57.90
November "	15.00	45.85	1.95	6.50	69.30
Total	607.20	386.95	26.40	71.50	1,092.05

Recapitulation of Collections:

Current	$1,795.50	$3,156.45	$ 140.95	$ 636.75	$5,730.05
Delin. prior to 12-1-12		6.40			6.40
Delin. 12-1-12 to 11-30-13	48.45	32.25	1.70	5.00	87.40
Delin. 12-1-13 to 11-30-14	607.20	386.95	26.40	71.50	1,092.05
Civil Cases		143.55			143.55
Appeals		51.20		9.75	60.95
Transcripts		1.75			1.75
Total	2,451.55	3,778.55	169.05	723.00	7,122.15

Delinquents now outtstanding	Delinquent	Collected	Still Delinquent
Prior to Dec. 1, 1912	$3,557.31	$ 6.40	$3,550.91
Dec. 1, 1912 to Apr. 30, 1913	68.10		68.10
May 1, 1913 to Nov. 30, 1913	90.10	87.40	2.70
Dec. 1, 1913, to Nov. 30, 1914	1,219.75	1,092.05	127.70
Total	$4,935.26	$1,185.85	$3,749.41

$82.55 of 1914 Delinquents has been paid since November 30th.

Detail of Delinquents, Dec. 1st, 1913, to Nov. 30th, 1914.

Date	Docket		Amount
March 12, 1914	B-1172		$ 5.45
April 24, 1914	C- 239		.10
September 15, 1914	C-1189		3.10
September 15, 1914	D- 1		3.10
October 5, 1914	D- 108		27.75
October 26, 1914	D- 263		5.75
	D- 312	Paid December	25.00
	D- 414	Paid December	57.45
			$127.70

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH CO.
Public Accountants.
EXHIBIT "O".

COST FEEDING PRISONERS, ETC.

Cost of Feeding Prisoners	$10,222.46
Total Prison Days	32,923
Average cost per man per day	$ 0.3105
Cost of Clothing and Bedding	$ 2,364.62
Average cost per man per day	$ 0.0718
Average Cost Feeding and Clothing	$ 0.3823
Cost Foreman, Guards and Labor	$10,132.87
Cost Medicines, Rewards, etc.	$ 618.23
Total average cost per man per day	$ 0.7089

Examined and found correct:
ALBERT H. MARSH CO.
Public Accountants.
EXHIBIT "P".

DISTRIBUTION OF ROCK FROM QUARRY.
For the Year Ended November 30, 1914.
TONS.

	Rock Dist.	Castle Haynes	Scotts Hill	Turn-pike	Fedr. Point	Mason-boro	17th St.	Villa view	Sunset Park
Dec. 1913	405	185½	5	120	5	90	----	----	----
Jan. 1914	940	85	25	230	20	----	----	280	300
Feb. "	1,425	15	115	295	----	----	----	1,000	----
March "	1,025	55	350	125	45	30	----	420	----
April "	536	----	106	210	----	100	----	120	----
May "	265	----	80	65	----	----	----	120	----
June "	635	10	105	395	45	20	60	----	----
July "	535	190	135	120	30	60	----	----	----
Aug. "	315	125	20	85	----	85	----	----	----
Sept. "	375	100	175	100	----	----	----	----	----
Oct. "	300	100	----	200	----	----	----	----	----
Nov. "	192	----	----	192	----	----	----	----	----
Total	6,948	865	1,116	2,137	145	385	60	1,940	300
Gravel Brought	6,222	----	3,548	600	----	----	----	2,074	----
	13,170	865	4,664	2,737	145	385	60	4,014	300

Rock Distributed	By Cars	By Truck
December, 1913	405	120	285
January, 1914	940	600	340
February "	1,425	1,160	265
March "	1,025	420	605
April "	536	120	416
May "	265	120	145
June "	635	60	575
July "	535	150	385
August "	315	100	215
September "	375	100	275
October "	300	300	----
November "	192	[illegible]	92
Total	6,94[illegible]	3,350	3,598

EXHIBIT "Q".

WORK DONE BY ROAD FORCE.
Year Ended November 30th, 1914.

Macadam Roads Built:
285 Yards, Seventeenth Street
1 Mile, Villa View — Total 1 1-6 Miles

Macadam Road completely rebuilt:
¼ Mile Turnpike
4 Miles Scott's Hill — Total 4 1-2 Miles

Macadam Roads worked and patched:
6 Miles Castle Hayne Road
1½ Mile Turnpike
2½ Miles Turnpike
4½ Miles Scott's Hill Road
2½ Miles Masonboro Road — Total 17 Miles

Dirt Roads Rebuilt:
1 Mile Wrightsboro—30 ft. wide
4 2-3 Miles Federal Point—40 ftt. wide
500 Yards Gordon Road
1 Mile Middle Sound
2 Miles Greenville Road — Total 9 Miles

Right of Way Cut, stumped and cleared:
2 Miles Gordon Road
2½ Miles Greenville Road
1 Mile Villa View Road — Total 5½ Miles

Dirt Roads Worked:
5 Miles Island Creek, January
5 Miles Island Creek, November — Total 10 Miles

Weeds Cut:
14 Miles (2 trips) Castle Hayne Road
8 Miles, Turnpike
11 Miles Scott's Hill Road
30 Miles (2 trips) Masonboro and Belt — Total 63 Miles

Fills Made:
2 Days Castle Hayne Road
10 Days Summer Rest
10 Days Lighthouse
20 Days, Gordon Road
2 Days Sea Gate School House — Total 45 Days

Pipe Laid:
30 feet 20"-14 ft. 12" Castle Hayne Road.
140 feet 12" taken up and relaid Winter Park.
68 feet 20", Scott's Hill.
50 feet 20"-40 ft. 12"-40 ft. 10", Federal Point.
3 Days laying pipe at Tuberculosis Hospital.
132 feet 18", Gordon Road.
194 feet 20"-100 ft. 12", Greenville Road.
70 feet 12", Villa View.

Ditching:
2900 Yards cleaned at Winter Park.
1760 Yards cleaned at Castle St. Road.
117 Yards cut, Greenville Road.
4660 Yards Cleaned
117 Yards Cut — Total 4777.

Roads oiled
Used 5 cars road oil.
3.7 Miles oiled around Carolina Heights to Scott's Hill Road.
3.4 Miles oiled, Turnpike-Castle St., through Winter Park.
2.5 Miles oiled, Villa View and Wrightsville.
3. Miles oiled, Downing Branch to Hewlett's Creek.
6. Miles oiled, Castle Hayne Road.
18.6 Miles Total.
Mile Posts put on all Macadam Roads.
Six Miles Strawed, Federal Point Road.
Six Miles Railroad Track taken up and hauled
Smiths Creek Bridge:
New Floor.
General Repairs.
Painted.
All Bridges Repaired.

EXHIBIT "Q".

Cost of Keeping Inmates and Prisoners at County Home.
For Year Ending November 30, 1914.

Provisions and Supplies		$ 2,051.85
Maintenance		132.48
Superintendent		300.00
Inventory, Dec. 1, 1913	$697.80	
Inventory, November 30, 1914	684.08	13.72
Vegetables from Farm, estimated		365.00
		$ 2,863.05
Number Inmate days, 7,999@$0.1472		$ 1,177.29
Number Prisoner days, 11,454@$0.4472		1,685.76
		$ 2,863.05

EXHIBIT "R".

STATEMENT OF COUNTY FARM.
For Year Ending November 30, 1914.

Inventory, December 1, 1913		$ 2,703.17
Detail Expenses:		
Salary Superintendent	$ 780.00	
Salary Guards	492.66	
Salary Plowmen	479.68	
Repairs to Vehicles and Machinery	63.45	
Stove for Potato House and other hardware	246.63	
Cow Feed (part)	59.10	
Shoeing Mules	26.70	
Veterinary	3.00	
Baskets (Vegetable)	33.00	
Lime	78.00	
Fertilizer	821.19	
Capture Convicts	13.00	
Seed:		
Lettuce	$ 6.75	
Potatoes	39.50	
Cow Peas	81.96	
Peanuts	12.60	
Oats, Rye and Vetch	80.45	
Innoculation	28.00	
Truck Crops	67.30	316.65
Potato Boxes and Crates		51.00
Peanut Bags		9.75
Ginning Cotton (1913)		43.00
Baling Hay and Threshing Peanuts (1913)		48.27
Two Mules		531.83
Wagon and Harness		105.10
One Bull (sold since)		31.05
Two Cows		125.00
Subsoiling Dynamite		7.50
Insurance, Superintendent's Bond		10.00
Insurance, Mules		28.00
Expenses Potato House		4.30
Cutting Oats and Vetch		12.00
Potato Barrels		3.30
Shackles		1.00
Meat		6.10
Paris Green		2.10
Two Brood Sows		32.75
Lumber		7.04
Cement		1.50
Baling Hay (1914)		34.32
Miscellaneous		8.30 4,516.27
		$ 7,219.74

CREDITS.

Sale of Produce	$ 1,649.96
Hire of Prisoners	293.20
Refund on Mules	9.38
Vegetables used by County Home	365.00
Inventory, November 30, 1914	3,643.54
	$ 5,961.08
Loss	1,258.66
	$ 7,219.74

EXHIBIT "R".

To offset this loss there are 15 acres of land cleared and brought under cultivation and there are 9,500 pounds of cotton on hand which was figured at 7 cents per pound.

The overdraft in the Special Bridge Fund was only partly taken care of by this year's Tax Levy, the remainder being carried temporarily by the Road Fund account.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. ORRELL,
County Auditor.

ALBERT H. MARSH & CO.
Successors to
ALBERT H. MARSH
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND AUDITOR
Augusta, Ga.
December [illegible]

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners,
of New Hanover County, Wilmington, N. C.
Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your instructions, I have examined the books and accounts of your County Auditor and Treasurer for the Twelve months ended November 30th, 1914, and I wish to make the following comment in regard to same

I have carefully examined all financial records and the results embodied in the Annual Report of your County Auditor and Treasurer are correct and I have approved his statements on their face. His report covers General County transactions. I examined his accounts with the Board of Education only to the extent of verifying his receipts from the various County offices and to see that his disbursements were properly substantiated.

ACCOUNTS.

The system of accounts that you now have are well arranged and in such a manner as to truly reflect the financial condition of the County at all times, as nearly approximating ordinary commercial methods as practicable. You have an intelligent direction over the affairs of the County in every detail at all times.

DELINQUENT TAXES.

In my report of last year I referred to the large amount of delinquent taxes on Real Estate outstanding, amounting to an apparent estimate of $25,000.00. These delinquents extend over a long period and the amount remains today practically the same. In my opinion, the most efficacious means of decreasing this amount is by the passage of an Act by the General Assembly requiring payment of back taxes before conveyance of property can be made. Reference to Exhibit "N" (Auditor's Report) shows the urgent need of such legislation. You will note that there was $231,411.00 of Real Estate (and Personal carried with it) sold for taxes, on which School and County taxes amounted to $1,905.28. This is a very bad condition of affairs and should be remedied.

INVENTORIES.

On December 1st Messrs. Orrell, Burnett and myself visited the County Home and the various Convict camps and took a careful inventory of County property at each place in detail, and these figures were used in the preparation of your County Auditor's report.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the various officers and employes of the various departments for the courtesy and assistance rendered to my assistant and myself in the course of this examination.

Respecutfully submitted.
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By ALBERT H. MARSH.
Examining Accountant.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET RECOVERS

Losses of Previous Session More Than Regained on Exchange Yesterday —Closed Steady.

New York, Dec. 16.—Yesterday's losses were more than recovered in the cotton market today owing to reports of continued steadiness in the Southern spot situation and New Orleans buying and covering. The close was steady and from 7 to 9 points net higher. May contracts sold at 7.54 during the afternoon or into new high ground for the end about 29 points above the low level of last Friday.

The market opened unchanged to 8 points lower in sympathy with easier cables and scattered selling. Prices soon steadied, however, in keeping with the closing advance of Liverpool and with the New Orleans market.

After selling about 9 to 11 points net higher, the market became less active and fluctuations were somewhat irregular as a result of realizing but there was no aggressive pressure and the close was within 2 or 3 points of the best. Larger exports helped to steady the market as did Washington advices that France would regard cotton as non-contraband and reports from the American embassy in London that cotton is not being, and will not be stopped on the high seas. The irregularity of Liverpool was attributed to naval developments in the North sea.

Spot cotton, quiet; middling uplands, 7.35; gulf, 7.60; no sales.

Cotton closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	7.06	7.17	7.06	7.16
Mar	7.25	7.38	7.24	7.35
May	7.42	7.54	7.42	7.52
July	7.59	7.71	7.59	7.68
Oct	7.88	7.97	7.88	7.96

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 7; receipts, 9,607; exports, 11,519; sales, 2,050; stock, 296,462.

Galveston—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 30,088; exports, 44,379; sales, 1,772; stock, 410,895.

Mobile—Middling, 6 13-16; receipts, 917; sales, 175; stock, 44,136.

Savannah — Middling, 7½; receipts, 12,403; sales, 2,987; stock, 279,894.

Charleston—Middling, 7; receipts, 2,597; stock, 113,428.

Wilmington — Middling, 7; receipts, 949; stock, 44,503.

Texas City—Receipts, 4,253.

Norfolk—Middling, 6⅞; receipts, 3,414; sales, 983; stock, 68,368.

Baltimore—Middling, 7¼; stock, 5,108.

Boston—Middling, 7.35; receipts, 63; stock, 7,100.

Philadelphia — Middling, 7.60; receipts, 100; stock, 5,409.

New York—Middling, 7.35; exports, 3,401; stock, 77,024.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 4,906; exports, 4,906; stock, 48,656.

Total today—Receipts, 69,273; exports, 63,924; stock, 1,400,988.

Total for week—Receipts, 299,557; exports, 184,160.

Total for season—Receipts, 3,778,267; exports, 1,924,838.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 14,392; shipments, 14,966; sales, 5,739; stock, 164,458.

Memphis—Middling, 7; receipts, 5,378; shipments, 5,776; sales, 4,400; stock, 263,019.

Augusta — Middling, 7 1-16; receipts, 2,017; shipments, 1,755; sales, 2,106; stock, 164,541.

St. Louis—Middling, 7½; receipts, 4,164; shipments, 3,785; stock, 35,541.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 2,582; shipments, 2,189; stock, 4,017.

Little Rock—Middling, 6¾; receipts, 176; shipments, 876; stock, 54,747.

Dallas—Middling, 6¾; sales, 13,698.

Total today—Receipts, 176; shipments 29,347; stock, 680,327.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Market Maintained Good Tone During Entire Session Yesterday.

New Orleans, Dec. 16.—The cotton market maintained a good tone throughout the session today in the face of the official report that German ships had fired on English coast towns in the North sea. In the early trading the move active months sold at a net loss of one point, but this was followed by a rise of 12 points. The close was at a net gain for the day of 8 to 9 points.

Covering of the short interest, reports of a large spot demand to fill December engagements and heavy booking of ocean freight room at cotton ports were the main sustaining influences. Receipts at the ports were 69,273 bales, while shipments were 81,074 bales, of which 63,924 were for foreign countries.

Spot markets were generally steady with advances of a sixteenth at Savannah, Augusta and Dallas, the latter market reporting sales of 13,698 bles. Houston rose one-eighth.

Cotton closing: January 7.07; March 7.18; May 7.36; July 7.56; October 7.85.

Spot cotton steady; sales on the spot 9.00, to arrive 1,150.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, December 16.—Spot cotton, fair business; prices steady; American middling fair 5.22; good middling, 4.60; middling, 4.36; low middling, 3.89; good ordinary, 3.27; ordinary, 2.83.

Sales, 6,000 bales, including 7,500 American and 3,000 for speculation and export. Receipts, 15,147 bales; no American.

Futures closed very steady. May-June, 4.15½; July-August, 4.21½; October-November, 4.32; January-February, 4.37½.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 16.—Cotton seed oil was barely steady for nearby deliveries, but forward months were firm on the tight crude situation, higher lard market and supporting orders from the South. Final prices were two points lower to five net higher. Sales, 6,600 barrels. The market closed steady. Spot, 5.65@5.85; December, 5.65@5.69; January, 5.75@5.77; February, 5.85@5.89; March, 6.00@6.02; April, 6.10@6.11; May, 6.24@6.25; June, 6.30@6.38; July, 6.45@6.48.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Dec. 16.—Turpentine, firm, 41; sales, 15; receipts, 308; shipments, 16; stocks, 33,799.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 793; receipts, 1,455; shipments, 573; stocks, 136,463. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H, 3.35 to 3.40; I, 3.45; K, 4.15; M, 4.55; N, 5.45; W G, 5.70; W W, 5.90.

WHEAT SHOWS NERVOUSNESS

Upon News of German Raid on British Coast, But Closed Firm—Drop of Only a Fraction.

Chicago, Dec. 16. — Uncertainty as to what effect the German naval raid on English ports might have on the demand for export shipments to Great Britain led to some selling by nervous holders of wheat. In consequence, the market, although steady at the close, was ⅝ to ¾ under last night.

Both corn and oats finished ⅛ to ¼@¼ down. The outcome in provisions was irregular, varying from five cents decline to a rise of 7½.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat — December, 1.18¾; May, 1.22¾.

Corn—December, 63; May, 69¾.

Oats—December, 47⅜; May, 51⅞.

Pork—January, 18.30; May, 18.77.

Lard—January, 10.05; May, 10.27.

Ribs—January, 9.97; May, 10.27.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.18¼@1.19; No. 2, hard, 1.18¾@1.19¼.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 64@64 .

Oats—Standard, 49 @49¼.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Cayo Manzanillo (Br.), 2,273 tons, Hunter, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Cleared.

Schr. Frank E. Swain, Haskell, 348 tons, Charleston, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Cayo Manzanillo (Br.), 2,273 tons, Hunter, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Alcana (Ital.), 2,246 tons, Ghiglione, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 2,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,872 tons, Linke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Schr. Granville R. Bacon, 339 tons, Bennett: C. D. Maffitt & Co.

Schr. William Thomas Moore, 263 tons, Jones, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, at 43½c.

ROSIN—Steady; large, $3.20; small, $3.05.

TAR — Firm, $2.00 per barrel; per gallon, 8½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.25 per barrel for soft; $3.25 per barrel for virgin; $2.25 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, steady, 41⅝; rosin, firm, $3.45; tar, firm, $2.50-11; crude, firm, $3.00; $3.00; $2.00.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	2
Rosin	4
Tar	450
Crude Turpentine	42

Receipts same day last year—Crude turpentine, 6 casks; rosin, 4 barrels; tar, 79 barrels; crude turpentine, 3 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, steady, at ¼c; last year, nominal.

Receipts, 923 bales; same day last year, 1,625 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, 72,323 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 295,352 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Dec. 16.

Atlantic Coast Line—779 bales cotton; 221 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—125 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 4 barrels rosin; 182 barrels tar.

Str. Whitlock—7 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 14 barrels tar; 31 barrels crude turpentine.

Atlantic City—12 bales cotton; 30 barrels tar.

Str. Annie B—9 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—923 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 4 barrels rosin; 450 barrels tar; 42 barrels crude turpentine.

FOODSTUFFS AND FEEDS.

(Wholesale Price Quotations of Wednesday by Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

Flour—Fancy Patent, $6.25 to $6.50 (car lots).

Corn—Domestic, $1.00; Imported, 95c.

Meal—96 lb. bag, $1.95 to $2.00.

Oats—Mixed, 60c; white, 65c. bu.

Hay—No. 1, Timothy, $24.00; No. 1, Mixed, $23.00 ton.

Middlings—$32.00 per ton.

D. S. Sides—From 12¼ to 12¾.

Plates—From 11c. to 11½c.

Lard — From 7¾ to 8c., according to quality.

Coffee—From 9 to 12c.

Rice—Broken, 3¾c. to 4c.; Japan, 4¾c to 5c. Fancy Hear, 5 1-4c. to 6c.

Sugar — Granulated — Basis 5½c; lower grades, usual difference.

Molasses — Black strap, 15c; mixed, 38c; Fancy Porto Rico, 40c.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 12.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 60@65c. per bu.

PEAS—White peas, $2.50@$2.75 bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7 to 8c.; very dull.

PORK—Small, 10@12 cents.

SHEEP—No sale. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head; very dull; no sale.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-clabs white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; dull.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, 23c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. lb., dull.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 16 2-3c. per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—28@29c. per doz.

CAROLINA COTTON MARKETS.

(Daily Quotations, by State Division of Marketing.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 16. — Cotton — Middling—Raleigh, 8¼; Fayetteville, 6¼; Charlotte, 8¼; Norfolk, 6¼.

LITTLE ACTIVITY IN STOCKS

Market Both Heavy and Narrow—Pronounced Decrease in Volume of Trading Significant.

New York, Dec. 16.—The most significant feature of today's heavy and narrow market was the pronounced decrease in the volume of trading. Only at rare intervals was there any degree of activity.

Until the closing hour, when the sagging tendency became more manifest, prices alternately ranged slightly above or below the previous day's close. In the final dealings, most of the international list and other favorites made new low prices for the current movement.

United States Steel common and preferred were in this class, together with Union and Southern Pacific, Great Northern preferred, Northern Pacific, Canadian Pacific and American Smelting. In addition, four other stocks, Louisville and Nashville, Southern Railway, Mexican Petroleum and Republic Steel preferred, feel to the minimum level still lenforced by the exchange. The few gains shown at the end of the session were among such issues as Central Leather, and American Beet Sugar.

News of the German army's activities in the North sea was received with some apprehension and gave rise to fears of further European selling. Some comfort was found in the foreign trade figures for Novemeber. Exchange markets reflected little change in conditions between this center and London, while marks held steady.

In the steel trade an increase of buying for the coming year was the sole feature. Some inquiry for copper for domestic use was noted.

Bonds were irregular, speculative issues going lower, with advances in a few high class issues. Total sales par value were $1,480,000. United States government coupon 4s advanced 1-4 per cent. on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	54½
American Agricultural	48
American Can	26¼
American Car and Foundry	44⅝
American Cotton Oil	40⅝
American Smelting	58⅝
American Snuff	149
American Sugar	106½
American Tel. and Tel	118
American Tobacco	221
Atchison	93½
Atlantic Coast Line . . offered	112
Baltimore and Ohio	69½
Canadian Pacific	158
Central Leather	26¾
Chesapeake and Ohio	43⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	90½
Erie	22
General Electric	139
Great Northern, pfd	115¼
Illinois Central	106½
Interborough Met., pfd	52
Kansas City Southern	22
Lehigh Valley	135¼
Louisville and Nashville	125
Liggett and Myers	208
Lorillard Co	184½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	10½
Missouri Pacific	10¼
Mex. Petroleum	51
New York Central	82
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	55⅝
Norfolk and Western	100
Northern Pacific	102
Pennsylvania	108
Reading	147⅝
Rep. Iron and Steel	19⅝
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	75
Rock Island Co	1
Rock Island Co., pfd	2
St. L. and San Fran, 2nd pfd	2⅝
Seaboard Air Line, ... bid	12½
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	46
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	22½
Southern Pacific	86¼
Southern Railway	16
Southern Railway, pfd . . . offered	64½
Tennessee Copper	32
Texas Co	132
Union Pacific	118
United States Steel	50⅞
United States Steel, pfd	104½
Utah Copper	40
Virginia Caro. Chem	21
Western Union	50

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, December 16.—Sugar futures were traded in on the coffee exchange for the first time today. The future contract is based on raw sugar, in bond, of Cuban production, based on 96 test, centrifugal, and in lots of 50 tons. Early sales were made in February at 2.80 to 2.85; July at 3.15, and September, 3.30.

The spot market was steady, with centrifugal quoted at 3.39, duty paid, and molasses sugar, 3.24. Refined grades were steady and unchapged. The market closed steady. February, 2.80 and May 295; June, 3.00; September, 3.24; sales, 1,010 tons.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Irregular.

Coffee—Quiet. Rio, No. 7, 7Z@7¾; Santos, No. 4, 10.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 16.—Mercantile paper, 4 @4½; sterling exchange, steady; sixty day bills, 4.8425; for cables, 4.88; for demand, 4.8735.

Bar silver, 49⅝. Mexican dollars, 38. Government bonds, firm. Railroad bonds, irregular. Time loans, dull; sixty and ninety days, 4@4 ; six months, 4 .

Call money, easy; high, 3½; low, 3; ruling rate, 3½; last loan, 3 ; closing bid, 3; offered at 3¼.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 16. — Hogs — Higher. Bulk, 7.05@7.25; light, 6.70@7.25; mixed, 6.80@7.30; heavy, 6.80@7.30; rough, 6.80@6.90; pigs, 5.50@7.30.

Cattle—Weak. Native steers, 5.25@10.40; western, 5.00@7.90; cows and heifers, 3.00@7.85; calves, 6.00@8.50.

Sheep — Firm. Sheep, 5.50@6.65; yearlings, 6.75@7.80; lambs, 6.75 to 9.00.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 16.—Prices on percale were reduced today to a basis of 8 cents for 4-4, 80 squares. Dark grounds were quoted ¼c. higher than light grounds, because of the scarcity of dyestuffs. Worsted yarns were in good inquiry from foreign sources. Laces and embroideries were dull.

Trade in domestics continued active.

Grey Top Patent Leather Shoes.

Leather and felt slippers just received at Peterson & Ruffs.—advertisement. 2c

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau,

December 17, 1914.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 21 degrees; at 8 P. M., 34 degrees; maximum, 39 degrees; minimum, 20 degrees; mean, 30 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.20 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 16.3 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair Thursday and Friday.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 17, 1914.

Sun rises	7:12 A. M.
Sun sets	5:05 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 51 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	9:53	10:00	4:21	5:20
Southport	7:42	8:05	1:23	2:20
Masonboro Inl	7:31	7:54	1:03	2:00

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 16, 1914.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M
Abilene	cldy	42	24	.0
Asheville	clear	34	4	.0
Atlanta	clear	38	16	.0
Augusta	clear	36	24	.0
Birmingh	clear	40	12	.0
Boston	clear	32	18	.0
Charleston	clear	38	30	.0
Charlotte	pt cldy	34	16	.0
Chicago	clear	10	4	.0
Galveston	cldy	48	36	.0
Jacksonv.	cldy	44	38	.0
Memphis	clear	32	18	.0
Mobile	clear	46	26	.0
Montgom'y	clear	42	18	.0
New Orl.	clear	46	30	.0
New York	clear	28	12	.0
Oklahoma	cldy	28	18	.0
Palestine	pt cldy	46	24	.0
Pittsburg	clear	18	2	.0
Raleigh	pt cldy	32	16	.0
Savannah	clear	38	20	.0
Shreveport	clear	42	22	.0
St. Louis	clear	20	12	.0
Washing'n	clear	26	10	.0

COTTON GINNED IN NORTH CAROLINA BY COUNTIES

Figures by Census Bureau for Crops of 1914 and 1913, to December 1.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Wm. J. Harris, director of the census, department of commerce, announces the preliminary report of cotton ginned by counties in North Carolina for the crops of 1914 and 1913. The report was made public for the State at 10 A. M. on Tuesday, December 8. The amounts for the different counties for the crops of 1914 and 1913 are furnished for publication in the local papers, as follows, quantities in running bales, counting round as half bales, linters not included:

County:	Crop 1914.	Crop 1913.
Total	674,340	622,369
Alexander	1,241	1,978
Anson	20,471	21,307
Beaufort	7,863	6,045
Bertie	7,442	6,994
Bladen	8,013	6,087
Cabarrus	10,663	10,708
Camden	2,648	3,551
Catawba	6,687	8,911
Chatham	6,059	7,083
Chowan	4,232	3,222
Cleveland	19,938	19,727
Columbus	8,311	7,221
Craven	4,305	3,748
Cumberland	20,328	16,159
Davidson	1,088	2,232
Davie	760	1,814
Duplin	8,564	8,041
Durham	567	1,035
Edgecombe	18,454	17,142
Franklin	10,729	11,433
Gaston	6,834	10,976
Gates	3,862	3,751
Greene	6,701	4,823
Halifax	22,643	20,942
Harnett	20,461	15,967
Hertford	3,104	2,452
Hoke	13,499	12,413
Iredell	7,978	12,016
Johnston	38,330	30,265
Jones	4,872	3,755
Lee	6,095	5,372
Lenoir	9,060	7,538
Lincoln	6,151	7,183
Martin	5,850	5,130
Mecklenburg	19,936	25,083
Montgomery	3,848	4,088
Moore	3,039	3,276
Nash	18,971	18,717
Northampton	13,298	10,629
Onslow	3,863	2,689
Orange	738	1,295
Pamlico	5,130	3,109
Pasquotank	5,144	3,755
Perquimans	6,445	5,295
Pitt	12,971	12,642
Polk	1,068	1,537
Richmond	14,481	12,009
Robeson	55,636	43,421
Rowan	6,640	8,552
Rutherford	9,838	8,745
Sampson	20,693	15,986
Scotland	30,130	23,464
Stanly	6,529	6,551
Union	23,494	24,848
Vance	2,907	3,507
Wake	22,372	23,011
Warren	9,117	9,237
Washington	2,622	2,379
Wayne	26,264	20,577
Wilson	18,728	14,953
All other	5,725	5,784

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 12.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, steady; new crop, fancy handpicked, 70c; No. 1, machine picked, 65c. per bu.

Virginia Peanuts—New crop Jumboes, 65c; fancy hand-picked, 60c; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c; Jumboes, 65c per bu. All receipts, heavier.

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Lv. Durham	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 12, 1914.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

EASTBOUND

Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach
.....	.....	.....
a8:30 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.
a9:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....
cd2:35 P. M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....

WESTBOUND

Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave for for Wilmington
a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a7:26 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
a8:56 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
b10:31A.M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
12:26 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	e1:45 P. M.
c2:36 P. M.	c2:25 P. M.	.....
cd3:06P.M.	.....	.....
c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
7:41 P. M.	7:30 P. M.	7:20 P. M.
8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 5:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 89. *12:45 A.M.
No. 84. ! 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 85. ! 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 8:00 P.M.
No. 82. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 83. *12:50 P.M.
No. 28. * 5:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. ! 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. !10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

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Given by Theodore Watters on His Return

Entire Nation One Long Bread Line, Says Secretary of Christian Herald—Cultured and Uncultured in Camps Together.

New York, Dec. 16.—"A tragic misery, the like of which the world has never seen," was the term applied tonight to conditions in Belgium by Theodore Watters, secretary of the Christian Herald, who went to Belgium last month to supervise distribution of the food cargo of the relief steamer Jan Block, and who returned today on the Transylvania. Belgium, he said, is one long bread line of starving men, women and children clamoring for a daily single ration of soup and bread.

"In Antwerp," he said, "I saw over a thousand poorly clad women standing shivering in the snow, waiting for food to be delivered out. In Malines, under the shadow of the cathedral, its walls caved in, its old stained glass windows but ragged fragments, I saw men, women and children gazing disconsolately at the ruins of houses that once were their homes, poor people who begged something to eat as we passed. On the road to Brussels we overtook thousands of refugees returning to villages where there is not food enough to sustain those already there. In Brussels we saw women holding babies, standing on the cold street corners, begging for food.

"In Holland I found thousands of refugees from Belgium huddled in camps and on barges, some refined, some coarse and brutalized, all sleeping together without partitious to insure the least privacy.

"Stagnation lies like a blight upon Belgium—stagnation of energy, of hope. The country was one huge burying ground. Graves, orphans, a country desolated; its trees felled to make way for the bullets; its crops, long gone to seed, sticking leanly up through the snow. Broken houses, broken homes, broken hearts. Yet the refugees were always in the road, returning to desolate hearthstones.

"When I was in Brussels there was only enough food on hand to last two weeks. What is true of Brussels is true only in a greater degree of all Belgium. If she does not receive food from America—and that is her only source—her people will starve, and starvation will spell ruin. For when men are hungry they are apt to commit ill advised reprisals against the military."

GERMANY'S LATEST MOVE IS THRILLING

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back of them. While this can be considered, only as a raid for moral effect, back of it may be the gathering of submarines attending the German cruisers to take advantage of any concentration of British forces sent to head off the cruisers.

"If the Germans invade England, they will do it after a serious naval action in which major vessels take part. No other military movement is conceivable which will attain results."

Representative Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama, one of the naval experts of the House, expressed the opinion that the German attack was in the nature of a feint.

Data gathered today in official quarters revealed that the east coast of England, except for the protection which the fleet gives, probably is vulnerable at a number of points.

TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS FEATURE SURGEONS' MEETING

Operating Room Observations and Phenomena the Subject.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 16.—Technical discussions of operating room observations and phenomena consumed the greater part of today's sessions of the Southern Surgical Geneological Association now in session in this city. Speaking upon the invitation of the association Dr. William Carpenter McCarty, of Rochester ,Minn., explained some new facts about cancer and their clinical significance.

Other speakers at today's sessions were Dr. Guy L. Hunter, of Baltimore; Dr. Bransford Lewis, of St. Louis; Dr. Louis Frank, of Louisville; Dr. E. P. Richardson, of Boston; Dr. Rudolph Matas, of New Orleans; Dr. J. Garland Sherrill, of Louisville; Dr. John Young Brown, of St. Louis; Dr. Randolph Winslow, of Baltimore; Dr. George W. Crile, of Cleveland; Dr. Reuben Peterson, of Ann Arbor; Dr. Thos. S. Cullen, of Baltimore; Dr. J. D. S. Davis, of Birmingham; Dr. Alexius McGlannan, of Baltimore; Dr. H. J. Boldt, of New York; Dr. S. M. D. Clark, of New Orleans.

The afternoon was given over to a sightseeing trip arrangement for which called for the abandonment of the afternoon scientific session.

The convention will come to a close tomorrow with the election of officers and the selection of the place of holding the next annual meeting. Six cities are asking for the 1915 convention.

Montivedeo, Dec. 16.—It is announced that the British fleet which recently defeated the German warships off the Falkland islands will arrive here Saturday. German survivors will not be landed.

SEVEN SWIFT CRUISERS MAKE DARING ATTACK

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more than 20 ruisers of a smaller class.

OFFICIAL REPORT.

British Government Gives Brief Outline of Result of Raid.

London, Dec. 16.—The official press bureau late tonight issued the following statement from the war office regarding the German raid:

"At 8 A. M. today three enemy ships were sighted off Hartlepool and at 8:15 they commenced a bombardment. These ships appeared to be two battle cruisers and one armored cruiser. The land batteries replied and are reported to have hit and damaged the enemy.

"At 8:50 the firing ceased and the enemy steamed away. None of our guns was touched. One shell fell in the royal engineers' lines and several in the lines of the 18th service battalion of the Durham Light Infantry.

"The casualties among the troops amounted to seven killed and 14 wounded.

"Some damage was done to the town and the gas works were set on fire.

"During the bombardment, especially in West Hartlepool the people crowded in the streets and approximately 22 were killed and 50 wounded.

"At the same time a battle cruiser and an armored cruiser appeared off Scarborough and fired about 50 shots, which caused considerable damage and 13 casualties are reported.

"At Whitby two battle cruisers fired shots doing damage to buildings and the following casualties are reported: Two killed, two wounded.

"At all three places there was an entire absence of panic and the demeanor of the people was everything that could be desired."

Situation and Conditions.

Bombardment of English east coast cities by German cruisers is the war's first overt act against British territory. The British had felt their fleet was sufficient to render that possibility remote.

The bombardment would indicate the Germans have considerable liberty of action.

Immediately upon the outbreak of hostilities the British fleet, or at least a considerable portion of it, supposedly took up positions on the eastern side of the North Sea by which the German warships were held in check or close to their naval base at Wilhelmshafen, the mouth of the Elbe, and elsewhere on the western German coast. This patrol has been maintained since early in August. It has from time to time been penetrated by German submarines, but so far as is known the instances when German cruisers or battleships have broken the British line and emerged into the North Sea have been few.

Dispatches from Germany for a month past have indicated the Germans were preparing at their sea basis for naval activity. Few details of what was going on have developed. Nevertheless, the messages led to the belief that the German ships might soon attempt some maneuver.

Importance of Canal.

The Kiel canal running from the North Sea to the Baltic, makes it possible for Germany to concentrate her entire fleet in either one water or the other. By bringing through the canal such vessels as she may have used since the beginning of the war in the Baltic, Germany could concentrate in the North Sea virtually he entire naval strength, exception being made of course, of her fast cruisers, which operated in the Pacific and in the Southern Atlantic. These vessels do not exceed nine or ten, and a number of them already have succumbed to the vigilance of Germany's enemies.

The British naval strength in the North Sea is and has been an unknown quantity. There is reason to believe, however, that it is formidable. Great Britain has some warships in the Mediterranean and during the past six weeks it is evident she sent some of her ships to the South Atlantic to pursue German cruisers raiding commerce. How many vessels were assigned to that duty is not definitely known. Whatever the disposition of British ships of war outside of English waters may be today, there has been from the beginning reliable evidences that she has concentrated in the North Sea a very large proportion of her naval strength.

Fashionable Seaport.

Scarborough is a seaport and fashionable resort in the northern part of Yorkshire on a headland extending into the North Sea. It is 37 miles northeast of the important English city of York. It is a little more than 200 miles from London.

Scarborough has been popularly styled "the Queen of Watering Places." The town has a large spa, an interesting aquarium, a museum and a fine drive and promenade pier. The permanent population is more than $40,000.

Hartlepool is a seaport of municipal borough, in the southeast portion of the county of Durham. It is about 40 miles northwest of Scarborough on a promontory that extends in the North Sea. Its population is about 25,000.

Adjoining Hartlepool is West Hartlepool, a city of more than 65,000 inhabitants. Hartlepool proper, which is provided with a vast system of docks, before the war had an active trade with the Baltic ports and with Hamburg, Antwerp and Rotterdam.

The chief industries are shipbuilding, iron founding and the construction of marine engines. Hartlepool was the place where the Comte De Bar landed from his fleet in 1171 to assist William the Lion in invading England.

From that time the harbor importance seems to have been appreciated, and it was the only ancient port of the Palatinate. Here Bishop Pudsey prepared the gallery, fitted with silver and containing a silver throne, seated on which he intended to accompany Richard I, to the Crusades.

Has Long Been Important.

Hartlepool formerly was a perfect specimen of a fortified town. In the reign of Queen Elizabeth the town fell into such decay that it was spoken of as "an ancient, decayed coast town, once a brave, stately, and well fortified town, now only a sea land habitation for fishermen." It continued to go down until 1813, when a law was passed for improving the port. It then began to improve until it now is an important port for the exportation of coal and the importation of lumber.

Whitby is in the north riding of Yorkshire, on the coast, and about half way between Scarborough and Hartlepool. It is a town of about 12,000 people, and also a seaside resort. It has a group of hotels along the cliffs, and the town itself is situated on both sides of the Esk, at its junction with the sea. The extensive ruins of the celebrated abbey of St. Hilda at Whitby, upon the summit of the east cliff, and the ancient church closely adjoining, are the most notable buildings of the town and are prominent from the sea. Whitby harbor is protected at its entrance by stone piers running out for 350 yards. On one of these extensions is a handsome stone light tower elevated 83 feet above the sea. The trade of Whitney is still of considerable importance, though it has declined of recent years.

FELL INTO THE RIVER.

Policeman's Timely Assistance Saved Life of Captain Ward.

Last night was a cold night to take a bath in the Cape Fear river, but Captain Ward, who runs a boat up the river, had this unpleasant experience. He fell overboard and would have doubtless been drowned had his shouts not been heard by Policeman W. R. Rivenbark. He and another man rushed to his aid and pulled him out. The accident occurred on the water front between Market and Dock streets. Captain Ward was taken to his room on Princess street and was soon alright, being apparently none the worse for the experience after he had thawed out. He had convincing evidence of the fact that the water in the Cape Fear is cold.

Business Locals

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THE COLUMBUS HOTEL, WHITEville, N. C., for rent; 24 rooms; modern brick building. Water and sewerage, $35.00 per month. An exceptional opening for the right party, as one of the local hotels was recently burned. Hotel furnished. Address Oscar High, Prop., Whiteville, N. C. de17,20,27*

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, NEW Hanover County.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Alfred White, deceased, late of New Hanover county, State of North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at 908 N. Second street, Wilmington, North Carolina, on or before the 30th day of November, 1915, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

LUCINDA WHITE,
Administratrix Alfred White.
This 25th day November, 1914.
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT. EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA—IN EQUITY.

R. E. Summer, et al vs. Carolina Coast Products Co., et al.—Order Appointing Receiver, Etc.

To Creditors and Bondholders, and all other persons having claims against the Carolina Coast Products Company.

It is further ordered that all persons, creditors and bondholders, having claims against the said defendant, the Carolina Coast Products Company, whether by mortgage, lien or unsecured claim, be and are hereby required to file the same with the Clerk of the Court on or before the first Monday in January, 1915, setting forth in detail the nature thereof, duly verified, and the Clerk is directed to make proper advertisement to all creditors of this provision of the Order.

Witness the Honorable H. G. Connor, Judge, of said Court, (SEAL) and the seal at Wilmington, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1914.

ALEX L. BLOW, Clerk,
S. P. COLLIER, Deputy Clerk.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

To All to Whom These Presents May Come—Greeting:

Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the KIDDER LUMBER COMPANY, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated at No. ——, ———— Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina (Geo. E. Kidder being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 21, Revisal of 1905, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:

Now, Therefore, I, J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 7th day of Sept., 1914, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 7th day of Sept., A. D. 1914.

(Signed) J. BRYAN GRIMES,
(SEAL) Secretary of State.
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNty of New Hanover:

By virtue and in pursuance of the power of sale in a certain mortgage made by Charles R. Mason and wife, M. F. Mason, to the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, dated the 26th day of August, 1912, and duly recorded in Book 69, at page 268, Public Records of this County. Default having been made in the payment of the obligation secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at Public Auction at noon, on the 10th day of January, 1915, at the Court House door of this county, the following described piece or parcel of land lying and being in the State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, and Harnett Township, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake at low water mark on Middle Sound, a little north of the mouth of the first Branch South of Page's creek, the corner of a tract of land now or formerly owned by Charles Waters, and running thence with said Waters' line north forty (40) degrees west one hundred and twenty-one (121) poles and two (2) links to the line (corner) of a tract of land formerly owned by W. F. Alexander, being the corner of the lands formerly owned by said Waters and B. B. Humphrey, and the said lands herein conveyed; thence with said Humphrey's line North thirty-five (35) degrees east, ninety-two (92) poles, to a stake at the mouth of Red Mill Branch; thence from this stake along Page's Creek at low water mark to Middle Sound, and thence along low water mark of said Sound to a point of beginning, containing sixty-seven (67) acres, more or less.

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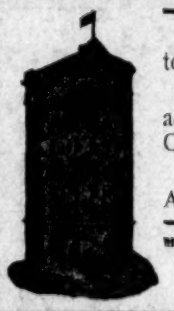

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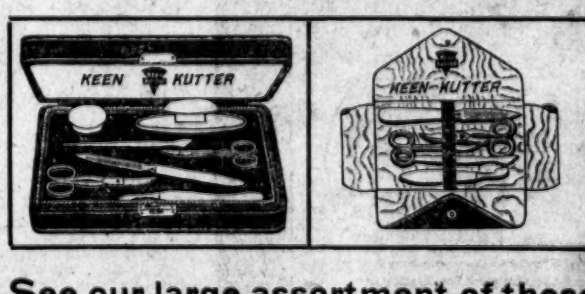

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